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COMMENCEMENT SEASON!

STATE UNIVERSITY GRADUATES 47 PUPILS.

LEADING MINISTERS DELIVER ADDRESSES

Oratoria, "Queen Esther," to be Given June 1—Preparation for National Negro Teachers' Association—Notes of Interest.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 26.—The commencement season is on in this section, and the State University led off with its annual exercises over a week ago. The exercises of the season were marked by the closing at the Masonic Theater, where diplomas were awarded to forty-seven who had been given instruction, for the most part, in all the departments.

Seated on the stage last Friday night were the graduates who wore caps and gowns, and eleven of this number delivered their graduation orations. Prof. J. L. Diggs, president of the institution, introduced the speakers, and between the orations musical selections were given. Each oration was well delivered and all showed that they had give ntheir subjects much thought and preparation. The speakers delivered orations on the following subjects: "The Influence of the Bible," Joseph Taylor; "The Negro Poet, Dunbar," Miss Loretta B. Anderson; "The Ideal Minister," Levi P. Morton; "Some Kinds of Education," Miss Elsie Masterson; "Carve Out Your Own Future," Vol McLawler; "Systematic Co-operation a Unit in Success," Walter P. Offett; "Meditation," Miss Letitia L. Rives; "Morality a Controlling Power in Education," Oliver P. Mack; "Religion in Education," Thos. L. Ballow; "The History of Disease and Medicine," Richard S. Whitter. Degrees were conferred upon several leading men in the Baptist ministry.

Last Thursday was an epoch-making day at the university, where the corner-stone was laid for the new dormitory for the girls. The ceremonies were under the direction of the Women's Educational Convention of Kentucky, and Mrs. M. E. Steward was the first to make an address. She said she was pleased that the time had come, after many years of hard struggle, to begin on a building where the colored girls of the State could be taught domestic science, which is so much needed. She urged the co-operation of the Baptists of the State, and asked ajd in raising the sum necessary to complete the building.

The leading ministers of the district conventions were present and delivered speeches. Among them were the following: The Rev. Robert Mitchell, Bowling Green; the Rev. L. œ. Jordan, Louisville; the Rev. A. B. Hurt, Owensboro; the Rev. S. P. Young, Lexington; the Rev. George Lillard, Harrodsburg; the Rev. Y. C. Terrell, Marion, Ind.; the Rev. W. M. Porter, Indianapolis, Ind., and the Rev. C. H. Parrish, Louisville. The corner stone was laid by the Rev. W. H. Hawkins, Lexington, Ky., and he was assisted by Prof. J. L. R. Diggs, president of the institution. The building to be erected will cost $20,000. The Home Mission Board of New York is to give $5,00 of this amount and the other is about raised by the Women's Educational Board of Kentucky.

State University was founded in 1879, and this is the third building erected on the grounds since that date. The enrollment is 300. The following were awarded diplomas from the various departments:

College Department—Lewis N. Crawford, Salem, Ky.; Miss Goldie C. Cox, Louisville, Ky.; Arthur D. Ross, Camp Hill, Ala.; Earl Lowery, Uniontown, Ala.; Henry Logan, Lexington, Ky.; Oliver P. Mack, Crab Orchard, Ky.; Miss Carolyn A. Steward, Louisville, Ky.

Normal Department—Miss Loretta B. Anderson, Dayton, O.; Willis R. Braxton, Madisonville, Ky.; James C. Foree, Carrollton, Ky.; Vol. Mc. Lawler, Louisville, Ky.; Armstead H. McLean, Uniontown, Ala.; James Mason Miles, Louisville, Ky.; Frank Pope, Sylacuga, Ala.; Miss Letitia Reeves, Paducah, Ky.; Thomas H. Roan, Atlanta, Ga.; George Ethelbert Steele, Georgetown, Ky.; James Henry Ttaylor, Versailles, Ky.; Robert H. Wood, Des Moines, Iowa; Ernest Diggs, Berea, Ky.; Elijah Fisher, Chicago, Ill.

Business Department—James Frye, Danville, Ky.; Miss Naneen V. Hansberry, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Rosalie Hanna, Atlanta, Ga.; Miss Ethel Von Lewis, Campbelsville, Ky.; Miss Elysie Masterson, Louisville, Ky.; James Marrs, Louisville, Ky.; Walter Offut, Louisville, Ky.; Miss Minnie Gladys Pack, Hinton, W. Va.; George Russell Smith, Russellville, Ky.; Margaret G. Smith, Shelbyville, Ky.; Miss Nannie Silkman, Mt. Sterling, Ky.; John C. Thomas, Georgetown, Ky.; Joseph Taylor, Versailles, Ky.

Theological Department—Levi A. Offutt, Louisville, Ky.; Thomas L. Ballow, Anchorage, Ky.; Frank Carter Locus, Pittsburg, Pa.; George W. Floyd, Louisville, Ky.

Medical Department—R. A. Ramson, Columbus, O.; E. B. Brooks, Paducah, Ky.; G. W. Minor, Taylorsville, Ky.; W. R. Richardson, Louisville, Ky.; O. E. Manuel, New Albany, Ind.; R. S. Whittaker, Coffeyville, Kan.

Law Department—Charles B. Preston, Louisville, Ky.; W. C. Brown, Louisville, Ky.

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Mr. Henry Simms went to Hopkinsville last Sunday to visit his friends.

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Mr. Jesse Moorehead has been sick this week, but is able to be out again.

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Mrs. Josephine Carlisle has been ill for several weeks, but is able to be out again.

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Mrs. Charles Liverpool, of Chicago, Ill., will be the guest of Mrs. Jesse Harris, 1227 West Green street.

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The Revs. R. S. Rives and J. C. Anderson have returned to the city, after being away to their conferences several weeks.

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The Progressive Joker Club will give a Japanese party at the residence of Miss Lizzie Edwards, 1916 West Cedar street, June 1.

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The Jagger Club, composed of the following, Lewis Thomas, John Lewis, Henry Eldam and Sud Wilson, went out fishing a few days ago and caught a fine string of fish.

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Miss Sadie Walker announces that she will not send out invitations to her friends for her graduation exercises. She is extending them a verbal invitation and she invites all of her friends.

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Mrs. Viola Brice, 2321 Virginia Court, has been very sick, but is able to be out again. Mrs. Brice is secretary of the S. M. T. Society. Two of her sisters were attending her during her illness.

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Mrs. Mary Robinson Detheridge, of Chicago, Ill., is in the city visiting relatives. Mrs. Detheridge was for a number of years a teacher in the public schools in Louisville. She is a handsome woman and has a host of friends in this section.

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The second Sunday in June has been set apart by the local Pythian lodges to commemorate the life and character of the late S. W. Starks, supreme chancellor or the Knights of Pythias of the world. Asbury Chapel has been selected for the place of meeting.

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Miss Katie Clark, formerly of Louisville, is in the city, visiting her friend, Mrs. W. O. Martin. Miss Clark has been living in Chicago. She will be here ten days, and will then leave for French Lick Springs, Ind., to spend several days at the summer home of Mrs. Martin.

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Miss Littlejohn, the daughter of Mr. Littlejohn, the barber at Seventh and Green streets, was buried Monday from the Christian Church, on Hancock street. She was a very sweet natured young girl and had a host of friends. Six of her girl friends were pallbearers at the funeral.

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Mr. Ervin Syle, one of the popular young men of French Lick Springs, Ind., was in the city last week and spent several pleasant days in Louisville and New Albany. Mr. Slye is well known, hale and hearty, and hast a host of riends in this section. He will go to Chicago about June 15.

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Mr. Henry Flemming, of Indianapolis, Ind., and of the city engineering department, is in the city, the guest of Mr. Strickland. Mr. Flemming is making himself at home and is having a "crack-opening" good time. Mr. Flemming was out automobile riding every day with Dr. Pinder Flack.

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Miss Pearl May Turner, a devoted member of the Central Christian Church, was buried last week, and the Rev. M. F. Robinson, D. D., M. D., preached her funeral sermon. She was highly esteemed and a large number attended her funeral. She leaves a mother, father, sister, brother and a host of relatives and friends to mourn her loss.

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The annual exercises of the State Blind School will take place June 5, at 4:30 p. m., in the cnapel. Prof. F. S. Delany is principal of the school, and under his direction the music has been a credit to the race. Blind boys and girls give unique and artistic selections upon the piano. These exercises attract the music lovers of the city, although the institution is located in the eastern part of the city.

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The annual rogation sermon of the Knights of Pythias was delivered last Sunday at the Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church. The Rev. T. A. Thompson, presiding elder of the Louisville district, delivered the sermon. The other speakers wers J. L. V. Washington, past chancellor of the State; R. E. Hall, J. G. Young, and Capt. Perry Ashford. Mrs. Mattie Duff read a paper representing the Court of Calanthe.

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The Chandlier Normal School of Lexington, Ky., will hold their annual commencement exercises June 3 at the Lexington Opera House. The following will be awarded certificates of graduation: Misses Elizabeth Bailey, Lizzie Thomas Hawkins, Lemora Inez Brice, Katie Carrneal Ferguson, Bessie Franklin Green, Elizabeth Jean Jackson, Messrs. Leon Trimble Baker, George Franklin David, Joseph Ware Henderson and Henry Lee Edson.

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Mr. Edward Lane, of Maysville, Ky., was elected a delegate at large to the National convention, and Mr. John H. McWhorter, of this city, alternate at large. The above gentlemen, accompanied by Mr. Cary B. Lewis, of the reportorial staff of the Courier-Journal and Louisville Daily Times, will head the Louisville delegation to the Chicago convention. The Rev. L. G. Jordan and a host of others of this city will leave a few days earlier than the regular delegation.

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The annual commencement exercises of the Eckstein-Norton Institute, Cane Springs, Ky., will be held June 11, at Masonic Theater. A number of students will graduate from the various departments of the instituttion. Dr. C. H. Parrish is president of the school and a large crowd usually attends the exercises. On June 23 Dr. Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee, Ala., will deliver an address to the citizens of Louisville under the auspices of the Eckstein-Norton Institute.

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We are in receipt of an invitation to attend the graduating exercises of the State Normal and Industrial Institute, Frankfort, Ky., and the following will be awarded certificates of graduation: Miss Julia Allen, Izetta Baker, Mary E. Beatty, Ethel B. Boyd, Bertha E. Brown, Eva Montgomery, Juanita H. Morgan, Elizabeth Young, Willina Z. Pierson, Mary L. Robison, Messrs. James R. Jones, James W. Muir, Mahlon S. Thornton, Samuel Sweeney. The commencement will take place June 3.

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The Louisville School Board met Monday night and adjourned out of respect for the late R. E. Galvin, trustee. The board will meet to-morrow night, and very interesting matter will come up for consideration. Dr. Simpson, of the Twelfth ward, has succeeded in stirring up, as usual, a good deal of strife among the colored teachers, but from what can be learned it will not amount to much. The people are anxious to have a principal with more aggressiveness and one who has the welfare of the race at heart. It is to be hoped that the salary of the principal of the school will not be decreased.

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The commencement of the High School will take place June 18.

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In the effort to increase the building fund of the Quinn Chapel A. M. E. Church, Ninth and Walnut streets, Prof. F. S. Delaney has organized a chorus of 175 voices and will give the oratorio "Queen Esther" Monday night, June 1, at the Masonic Theater. The organization is composed of some of the best singers in the city and every church choir has a representative in the chorus. This will be the largest chorus ever gotten together in the State. Quite a deal of interest is being manifested by the people and the attendance is expected to be a capacity house. Every Christian, lodge member and well wisher of the Quinn Chapel Church is being urged to attend the grand affair and give assistance toward the erection of a new church.

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The coming of the fifth annual session of the National Negro Teachers' Association, which is to be held in this city June 24, 25 and 26, is assuming large proportnons. The local committee is down at hard work and have given the arrangements much time and attention, and from what can be learned, the whole affair will be of great importance to the teachers throughout the country. Prof. R. J. Lee, principal of the academic department of Tuskegee Institute, Ala., will call the meeting to order. There are fourteen States which have State organizations, and they will send delegates to the association. Some of the more prominent educators that will attend the association are as follows: Booker T. Washington, Tuskegee, Ala.; Bruce Evans, Washington, D. C.; Frank L. Williams, Covington, Ky.; J. Waring, St. Louis, Mo., and others.

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There will be forty-eight graduates of the Central High School this year. There will be nine from the midyear class and thirty-nine from the June class. Prof. W. P. Annis, a teacher of English in the High School, announced yesterday that there will be ten speakers at the annual commencement, which will take place June 18. The following will be the speakers: Misses Elsie Masterson, Sadie Walker, Margaret Sutton, Emma Bowman, Parsy Edwards, Madolin Davis, Alma Wright, Maple Gordan, Ophelia Bryant and Mr. Floyd Willis. The faculty voted that there will be no speaker. This was done after the alumnae voted that Mr. Charles B. Preston should speak. Some further action may be taken by the alumni to be represented at the commencement.

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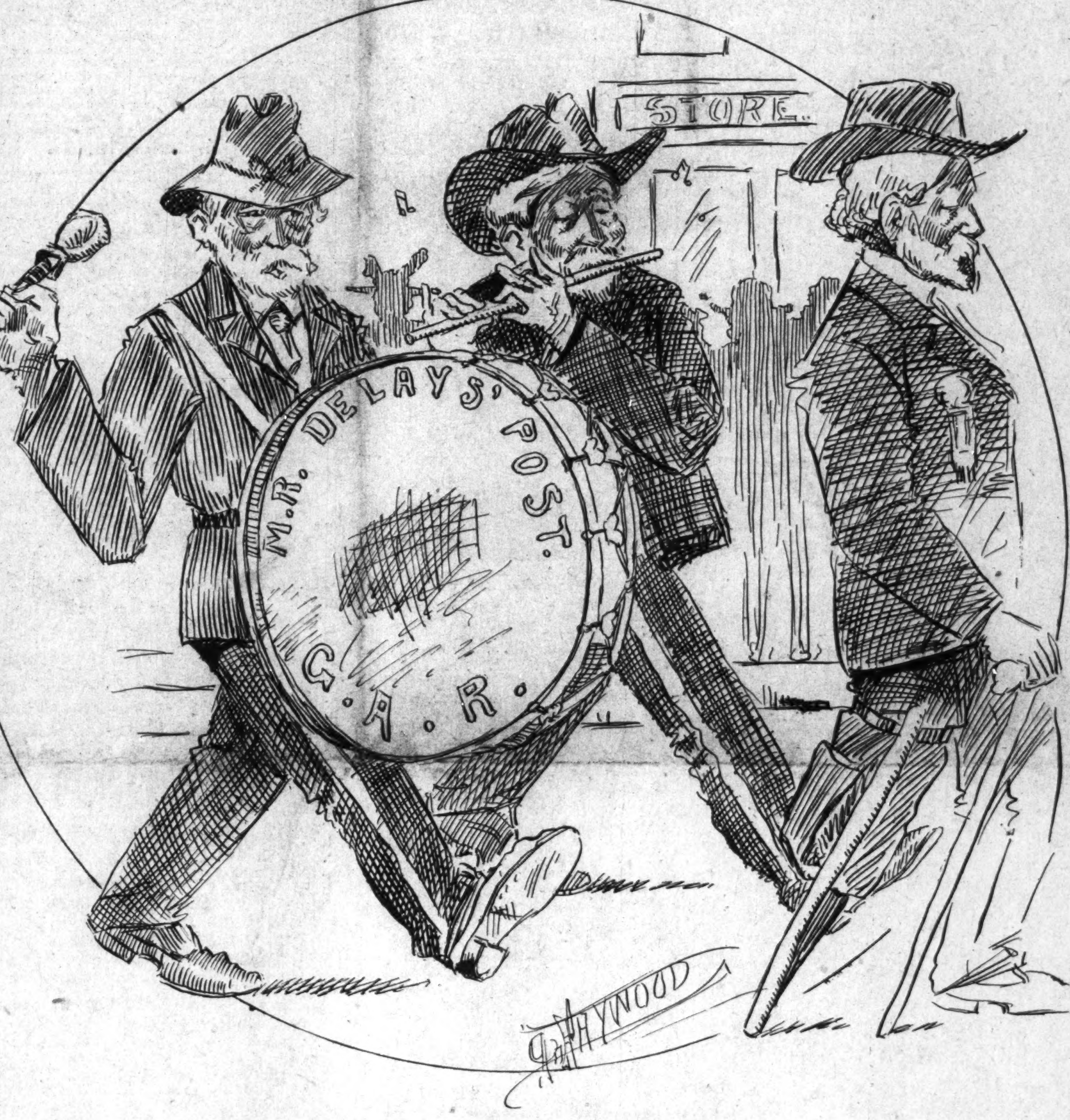
Some of the Pythians of this city are waking up to the idea of patronizing the Negro printer. When the Supreme Lodge met here last August hundreds of dollars were spent with the white man, and the colored Pythian brother did not receive a cent. Some say there were reasons for this. However, ye scribe was appointed on a committee a few nights ago, and he succeeded in oreaking down the idea that the white man was the only one that had a printing office and could set type, and put out a decent job. There have been a number of men in the lodges who have been crying the Negro office "can't do the work." Tney have been singing the old song in this enlightened age that the colored printer "jes' ain't ready." We wish to congratulate those brave Pythians who have voted to give the colored printer some consideration when money is to be expended in this direction. Some of the very ones who one celebration days make the biggest speeches on building up Negro enterprises, at the same time have some white man do the work that a Negro ought to have, because they get a little rake-off or spending change. Whenever possible, and all things being equal, give the colored man in business a chance, and let the good Pythians of all lodges stop building up the white man by decrying the printing offices which employ boys and girls, men and women of the race. Help the colored printing offices, whose papers are everlastingly boosting Pythian cause and progress.

CARY B. LEWIS.

STILL MARCHING TO THE GRAVE.



Almost to their destination.

WAXAHACHIE, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Died, at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. Baker, near the public school, May 19, at 8 o'clock a. m., Sadie, eighteen months old, and was buried at the colored graveyard, May 20....The C. M. E. Church trustees are preparing to add another room to the parsonage....Miss M. E. Carter is visiting Mrs. Carrie Miller at Belton....Dr. J. W. Tildon was down last week, visiting family, friends and relatives....Earnest Richie, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Will Richie, was on the sick list last week....The Grand Lodge of the Knights and Daughters of Tabor will convene in Calvert, Tex., about July 10.... Dr. J. W. Tildon has bought a home in Fort Worth, and expects to move about June 15....Mrs. Rutha Brook is ill this week....The preachers of Waxahachie have formed a union. Rev. Dennis, president; Rev. A. A. Gordon, secretary.... Died, on May 19, Elihu Richardson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson, aged 11 years, 9 months and 10 days. His funeral was held at the A. M. E. Church, of which he was a member. Elihu was a manly child and loved by all who knew him. He leaves a father and mother, many relatives and friends. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Everett, his grandfather and grandmother; Mr. and Mrs. Percival Everett, Mr. Ben A. Everett and Miss Edith Everett, his uncles and aunts, of Dallas, Tex., attended the funeral.

JACKSON, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Our city is somewhat dull. The weather is getting very warm....Rev. I. L. Pratt, pastor of the M. E. Church at Hattiesburg, Miss., was a visitor to our city on the 20th inst. He came to move his daughter, Mrs. Emma D. Knox, to Hattiesburg to keep house for him, having lost his wife some years ago. He was once pastor of our church in West Jackson, and erected the church in which we now worship. A few years ago he was presiding elder of the Brookhaven district, serving in that capacity for six years, and ranks among the ablest ministers of the Mississippi Conference. He is a deep thinker and an orator of great eloquence. He reports having just closed a great revival, adding to the church about forty-three converts....Quite a fire happened in West Jackson, one block from the depot, commencing in Harry T. Risher's bakery on Capitol street, near the corner of Capitol aand Farrish, burning an entire block north on Farrish street. No information as yet as to insurance or losses on account of fire....A grand basket picnic was given on the 23d inst., at Taylor's Grove, in Taylor's subdivision of our city, by the West Jackson M. E. Church and Sunday school, for the benefit of the church. About thirty of the Sunday school children took part and they seemed to enjoy themselves. There were plenty of refreshments and they spent the entire day on the grounds, arriving at 10 a. m. and returning home at 6 p. m....Mrs. W. A. Oates, the pastor's wife, is quite a worker in our church, being always on the alert trying to push forward the cause of Christ....Dr. D. L. Redmond, one of our practicing colored physicians, has returned from Baltimore, Md., where he went to attend the M. E. General Conference....Rev. Geo. W. Hobert, pastor of the C. M. E. Church in our city, and president of the Mt. Olive Height School, at Mt. Olive, Miss., an institution of learning for youth of our race, reports having just closed a very successful school year, having an attendance of 120 pupils. The school is non-sectarian and owns forty acrse of land, with thirty now being cultivated, and all under good fence. A dormitory is to be completed by next school term. He has full charge of the farm and reports his crop in fine condition. Rev. Holbert has moved his family to the school grounds, and expects to push things to the front....Walter Josh, of Midnight, Miss., was in our city on the 19th. He came for his little daughter Romella, who has been attending the Jackson College since the opening of the school term. He is a very successful farmer....THE FREEMAN can be purchased each week at 1105 West Lynch street. C. H. Jones, agent.

BASEBALL AT DALLAS, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Cubs are at home. The park is completed and the team in good trim. The manager is well pleased. The fans are anxious to see them work. Several amateurs have formed clubs and will test the Cubs at home soon. The pitching staff has been strengthened. They have a good in and out field—men who can hit and make runs. The Cubs look to the top. What have San Antonio, Austin, Waco, Fort Worth and Sherman fans got to say now but praise for good old Dallas Cubs? Keep your hammers down. Dan James, Rufus Green & Co. say the Cubs are it. Cecil and David say the boys are cofing some. Carter, the star, roots for the Cubs' success.

HATTIESBURG, MISS.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. B. S. Williams, of the A. M. E. Church, in his revival meeting which closed Monday night, had great results, a hundred and fifty-three converts being made....Rev. Becken, of Nashville, Tenn., was the speaker at Mt. Carmel Baptist Church....Rev. Adkins was a great helper in Rev. B. S. Williams' meeting.

THE M. E. CONFERENCE!

THE WITHDRAWAL OF DR. MASON FOR BISHOP.

COLORED DELEGATES WERE NOT LOYAL

Bishop H. M. Turner Telegraphs Greetings in Behalf of the A. M. E. Conference now in Session at Norfolk, Va.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

BALTIMORE, Md.—From present indications it does not seem as if the General Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church, now holding its closing sessions here, will elevate a colored man to the episcopacy. Rev. Dr. M. C. B. Mason, who started out very auspiciously, withdrew last Friday from the race. He received 239 votes on the first ballot, 275 on the second, and to-day (Monday), despite his withdrawal, received 147 votes on the twelfth ballot. In withdrawing Dr. Mason said the colored delegates had stood loyally by Dr. Nuelson, the successful German candidate, and that he thought they should have stood by a colored candidate. In withdrawing Dr. Mason spoke as follows:

"I desire to withdraw my name from further consideration for this high and important function, and at the same time to express my hearty appreciation for the splendid vote which you have given me. By unanimous action my brethren requested me to allow the use of my name, hoping that if elected my work should be among my own people, and hoping that in some degree I might help to supplement, not to displace, the work that is being done by our present Board of Bishops, and believing that a black man could come in a little closer touch to the souls of black folk, could understand their difficulties and problems a little clearer, could move without criticism among them, and in this critical hour, through which we are now passing, could lend a little to the inspiration of these hosts of black millions to higher and purer life. The distinct understanding was that, if elected, my work should be among my own people, and we had reason to believe that this could easily be done because of the 21 colored conferences already among us, with 350,000 members, and that here in America and in Africa there would be sufficient work for a black man without at any time coming in contact with any work for which he was not peculiarly adapted.

"The peculiar conditions of our German brethren were so similar to our own that, without a trade or bargain, we naturally fell in and helped and supported them, and we are glad that you heard their plea, and have given them a man so peculiarly adapted and qualified to help them in their work. We do not charge that you did not give us a square deal, but somehow we conceive the idea that the difficulty lay in the fact that my brethren were so unfortunate as to bring forward a man who somehow is not quite worthy enough to challenge your support and consideration."

The following telegram was received from the A. M. E. General Conference, which met at Norfolk, Va., pledging cooperation:

"Norfolk, Va., May 21, 1908.

"To Bishop Henry M. Warren, Presiding Bishop of the Methodist Episcopal Church for the General Conference.

"Dear Fathers and Brethren—The Council of Bishops of the African Methodist Episcopal Church received your gracious communication, borne by your honored messenger, Dr. H. F. Gorgas, and placed the same before the General Conference, whic hconcurs with you in the action to extend and foster the federation and better co-operation of Christian churches.

"We shall appoint a committee, as suggested in your resolution, and stand prepared to render the fullest Christian cooperation.

"Wishing God's blessings upon your great church and the deliberations of your General Conference, we beg to subscribe ourselves, in behalf of the A. M. E. Church, yours in bonds of Christian fraternity, H. M. TURNER,

"President of the Council of Bishops."

The conference decided to make the Freedmen's Aid Society a sepaarte organization and to restrict its operations to this country.

Several of the colored delegates urged the conference to have two secretaries, one white and one colored, and the conference agreed. There has only been one secretary since Dr. W. P. Thirkield became president of Howard University.

LOGANSPORT, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Last Sunday Cass Lodge No. 42 observed their annual Thanksgiving services at Bethel A. M. E. Church. The following lodges were present: Park Union No. 2796, Households Ruth No. 1495 and 540, and members of the Crawfordsville Lodge and House. The Crawfordsville bands under the direction of William Hall, furnished the music. The following program was given:

Organ voluntary.
Turning over of lodges to M. C......
M. C. reads aloud L, 93, page 94
Hymn—Coronation..........
Prayer..........Rev. Kelly
Instrumental solo..........Mrs. B. Hill
Welcome address..........C. A. Allen, 4284
Song.........."Never Alone"
Response to address...W. H. Jones, 2796
Solo..........Miss Floretta Turner
Welcome address to Households.....
..........Miss Amanda Stewart, 1495
Response..........Miss Ceola Hanna, 540
Duet......Miss J. Jones, Mrs. H. Payton
Annual sermon..........Rev. C. S. Jones
Solo..........Mr. L. J. Harris
Collection..........
Hymn.........."Blest Be the Tie," etc.
Announcements.
Benediction.

Rev. E. E. Gregory, who has resigned the pastorship of the A. M. E. Church, has been succeeded by Rev. W. W. Kelley, of Frankfort.

BY "DOROTHY"

This column is devoted to the interests of all women and their organizations also. Address all communications to Dorothy, The Freeman Indianapolis, Ind.

LIFE AND DEATH.

If death be final, what is life, with all
Its lavish promises, its thwarted aims,
Its lost ideals, its dishonored claims,
Its uncompleted growth? A prison wall,
Whose heartless stones but echo back our call;
An epitaph recording but our names;
A puppet-stage where joys and griefs and shames
Furnish a demon jesters' carnival;
A plan without a purpose or a form;
A roofless temple; an unfinished tale.
And men like madrepores through calm and storm
Toil, die to build a branch of fossil frail,
And add from all their dreams, thoughts, acts, belief,
A few more inches to a coral-reef.

—Christopher Pearse Cranch.

W. C. T. U. IN NEW CRUSADE.

Women crusaders of the W. C. T. U., under the protection of special police, who have caused considerable excitement in prominent downtown cafes at Pittsburg, Pa., in the quest of stray girls, had a thrilling experience last week. The women followed a young girl and a Japanese escort from a cafe to a Fift-avenue office building. Gaining access to the office by the fire-escape, the girl was arrested, but the Japanese escaped to the roof. Running in the darkness, leaping from building to building over several feet of space, one false step meaning death on the stones below, the police finally captured the foreigner. In the meantime theater crowds in Fifth avenue witnessed the sensational pursuit and almost tied up traffic. A short time later the women entered another Fifth-avenue building and, using the fire-escapes again, caused the arrest of two couples in a third floor office. Several other young girls were taken from the cafes earlier in the evening and locked up in Central Stattion.

ORPHAN WORKING SCHOOL.

The oldest orphanage for boys and girls in Great Britain—the Orphan Working School—is this year celebrating its 150th anniversary. It was founded in the reign of George II, in the days of the great statesman, William Pitt. The Prince of Wales is the president of the orphanage, which houses and educates five hundred fatherless boys and girls at a cost of $5,000 a year.

Among the old "boys boys" of the school there are a colonial bishop of the Church of England, the proprietor of one of the largest of London's West End stores, and numbers who have risen to important positions, and have supported the school which gave them their chance in life.

The Orphan Working School was founded in Noxton, then a village near London, now one of London's poorest and darekst slum districts. The present home of the orphanage is at Haverstock Hill, London.

DIVORCE LOSES IN FRANCE.

The returns of the vote taken during a fortnight run of Paul Bourget's "Un Divorce" at the Vaudeville at Paris are now in. Nearly 7,000 spectators voted, about two-thirds of whom were men. Although the opening showed a considerable majority for divorce, and especially for divorce by mutual consent, the end has been a victory for anti-divorce—1,800 men and 1,250 women. Those who upheld divorce numbered under 1,400 men and under 700 women.

WOMEN ASSERT THEIR RIGHTS.

Mohammedan women in Russia have risen in their might and asserted their independence. Now that Russia has an elective Parliament they have taken advantage of the opportunity to organize themselves against the tyranny of husbands. There are millions of Mohammedan women in South and Eastern Russia, and the women followers of the prophet in the province of Orenburg have given them a lead in a campaign against the injustice of the stronger sex. They do not seek political rights, but simply fair treatment from their husbands.

BERLIN WOMEN WEARING AMERICAN FLAG ON HATS.

Many Berlin women are wearing, on sailor hats, black ribbons, on which tiny American flags are embroidered.

The Nationalist newspapers complain bitterly of this fashion and ask angrily:

"What American or English woman would dream of buying in her country a hat adorned with the German colors? Only German women would thus besmirch the national honor; and the time has come to protest strongly against such thoughtlessness."

THE DREADFUL "MERRY WIDOW."

The New York World has discovered that "The Merry Widow" is responsible for some terrible things. It has "got on the nerves" of the musicians who play it; it has driven to nervous prostration the "Merry Widow" herself; it has brought thirty proposals of marriage to the man who dances the waltz; it has made the orchestra leader believe in musical hypnotism; it has reunited parted couples, and kept the the ministers busy. It has labeled the biggest and most embarrassing hat that ever happened, which stopped one train and saved one girl from drowning.

PLANS LECTURE TOUR IN U. S.

Countess Lydia Rostopchine, who was Hazle Pugbeeley, a sister of Countess Tornielli, will come to America soon to give a series of lectures on life in Russia.

The Rostopchines descend from that famous one of the name who burned Moscow rather than let it fall into Napoleon's hands.

The romance of Mlle. Fayghene, the Russian actress, and the duke de Morny, which ended in a tragedy, some years ago, was dramatized by Countess Rostopchine and had great success in Russia. The countess, about 60 years old, has truly Slavonic charm, her voice is rich and melodious, her learning remarkable.

COUNTESS A GREAT INVENTOR.

Princess Stephanie of Belgium, now Countess Lonyay, who has patented a new chafing dish and spirit lamp combined, has produced many inventions and contrivances for lightening the labor of her servants. Patents for her latest invention have been taken out in England, France, Germany, Italy and Belgium. The countess intends to put her invention on the market as soon as possible, and negotiations between her agent and several firms are in progress.

VISCOUNTESS IS MAKING JAM.

Viscountess Molesworth has started a jam factory at her country home. Walter's Hall, Kent, where the industry is flourishing. Lady Molesworth has turned the old brewhouse attached to the house into a well-equipped jam factory, and has engaged a staff to manufacture preserves from the plentiful supply of fruit which grows in the orchard. The factory is capable of turning out half a ton of jam daily, which is sold at prices which are not high.

CURFEW LAW WANTED.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union of Pensacola, composed of several hundred members, is endeavoring to have a curfew law for children under the age of 13 years passed and made effective in the city. A request that the city council pass such a measure has been to that body, and has been referred to the committee on police and fire, with instructions to report at the next meeting of the council. The ladies insist, in their request, that such a law would be of much benefit to the youngsters now growing up in Pensacola, and cite, as an instance of what good can be accomplished, the order of the mayor compelling all to be off the streets after 10 o'clock each night since the street car trouble. The ladies say that if a curfew law is beneficial for men during the present conditions that a similar law is good for youngsters at all times.

EASING OTHER'S BURDENS.

If we are constantly on the watch, we shall find plenty of opportunities to do good deeds. They may not be great deeds in the world's eyes, but it is the little, thoughtful, everyday kindness that make the whole world better and happier. We see some one in trouble and say a kind, sympathizing word, and that person's trouble is lightened. We have chance to do some little service in our home, to wait on some one who is tired or to run an errand cheerfully, and we feel happier for this all day.

WOMEN IMPORTANT.

A large business house lately placed a woman in charge of one of its departments, and found that the number of men who asked for jobs diminished, because men hated to go to a woman instead of a man to get a place on the payroll. Matters are different in the theater. Most of the actors and actresses who obtain engagements get them through a woman. A large number of the plays submitted to managers are submitted through a woman. A great number of the plays that come from abroad are brought over by a woman, and many of the plays which having served their turn in the first-class houses are leased for road purposes and to stock companies are handled by a woman.

DOLL IS 2,500 YEARS OLD.

The oldest doll in the world among other ancient strange and interesting toys is on view at a toy show which has just been opened by the Sciological Society at London, England. Every form of doll that has been fondled by the human child is typified, from this doyen of dolls, which is Egyptian and dates from 500 B. C., to the latest walking and talking beauty dressed in Paris.

NEGROES MAY ATTEND.

Illinois Supreme Court Issues Mandamus in the Alton Case.

Alton, Ill., May 22.—The Illinois Supreme Court has issued a writ of mandamus against the mayor and members of the City Council requiring the city officials to permit Ambrose and Minnie Bibb, Negroes, to attend the same school in which white pupils are taught.

The litigation in the case was begun twelve years ago by Scott Bibb, father of Ambrose and Minnie. The children are now twenty and eighteen years old, and have outgrown graded school years. Only four members of the City Council then in office are still serving.

SUNSHINE SHOPPING.

A clever housekeeper says it is her law never to shop except on a sunny day. She never, she insists, makes a mistake on a sunny day. She declares there is nothing one can buy safely but stamps when the sun is absent. There is a good deal in her theory. Shopping on a gloomy day is a good deal like writing a letter when in a fit of the blues. The sun comes out, one's mood changes and one regrets what one has said and what one has bought.

In spite of this, as every one can see, it just takes a rain to bring women out. When the weather is the worst, then the fair ones hie themselves to shop, each under the impression that all the others will stay at home, and she will have the whole shop to herself.

And maybe this is why so many things have to be "taken back."

WHY MARRIAGES FAIL.

The Right Rev. John Sheepshangs, the aged bishop of Norwich, drew enthusiastic applause by his dicta on the marriage question. He regretfully admitted that if the clergy could unmarry as well as marry they would be far more busily employed than in the busiest times now.

He said that when marriages were regretted it was largely because they had ben hasty and ill-considered. The great causes of domestic unhappiness were selfishness and temper. Men were more selfish than women. Man put his great stury arms akimbo and declared that he was the one person to be considered in the home.

The bishop denounced nagging, but said that when there was a tiff the man ought to initiate a reconciliation. Men ought to regard as important and remember the anniversaries of their wedding days and their wives' birthdays and give them presents, not forgetting a good loving kiss.

Middle-aged women often complained that their husbands kissed the children but would not kiss them. Women longed for a demonstration of affection. Much trouble would be voided if men would remember this.

The bishop, in warmly urging marriage, declared that it was intended, among other things, for peopling heaven.

Ollie L. Bryan is an efficient colored woman dentist at Dallas, Tex.

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The peek-a-boo waist and the mosquito are watching each other, waiting for the word.

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Mrs. W. T. Wareck, of Springfield, Ill., has instituted and set to work recently a Sisters of Mysterious Ten Temple.

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The unveiling of the memorial tablet of the late Miss Elizabeth Sarah Funmilayo took place at Lagos, West Africa, last month.

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There are in Europe 10,000 women and girls who earn a living as artists' models. It is strange to say that there are not ten among them who posses a persafe face and figure.

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The Women's State Board of the Missionary and Educational Convention held a special meeting at Dallas during the Foreign Mission Convention and appointed Mrs. I. Miller to commence a special campaign of missionary work for the forthcoming convention at Dallas in October.

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Mrs. Rosa Becker has been appointed a claim agent and United States pension attorney for Missouri. She has been a well-known business woman in St. Louis for a number of years, being both a notary public and an insurance agent. As a young woman she was known in her section of the country for the assistance which she rendered the Federal soldiers during the civil war.

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Miss Jessie D. Holman has been recently appointed by the Chicago Board as one of the regular missionaries especially for the young women of the State of Texas to organize them for Christian work. Mrs. S. F. Johnson of Houston, Tex., has also geen appointed by the Chicago Board as missionary for the Shiloh Baptist Church, Houston. She is doing good work.

TERRE HAUTE, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

There was a grand concert given at the Spruce-street A. M. E. Church Friday night, by the Lincoln School Alumni.... The Bible Club meets at Mrs. Julia Chandler, 2412 Sixth avenue....Treble Club meets at Mrs, Ed. Morgan, on Tippecanoe street....The Free Baptist Sewing Circle meets at Mrs. Coleman, 1209 South Fourteenth street...There was a concert given at the Fourteenth and Oak-streets Church by Mrs. Ambros Henson, which was a grand success....The Sewing Circle of Spruce-street A. M. E. Church met at Mrs. Cora Stokes, 1628 Spruce street.....There was a mass meeting held at Saulter Chapel Monday night. A large crowd was present and everything was fine....The Freeman will be on sale at John Walden's and D.' Simpson's barber shops on North Third street every Saturday....All important news wil be put in The Freeman by Lloyd Churchill, 2219 Spruce street.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. Dobbins, of the A. M. E. Church, preached the Odd Fellows' sermons at Mount Triumph Baptist Church, last Sunday. Collection, $100.35. Addresses were made by such prominent men as Hon. J. C. Lain, Rev. C. H. Robuck and Mr. B. B. Jarrette....Pittsburg county's Con. League is one of the best leagues in the State. President J. A. G. Washington makes his quarterly speaking tour this month. Great work is being done by this young man....McAlester is the chief market for a progressive colored man.... There was one of the best ball games played at League Park, Sunday, by the McAlester Senators and Hartshorn Diggers. A great battle was on between the pitchers. The score was 12 to 2 in favor of Harthorn. Attendance, 1,000.

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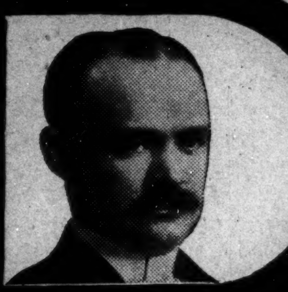

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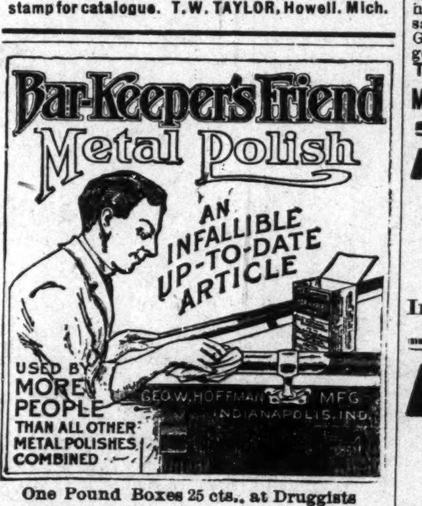

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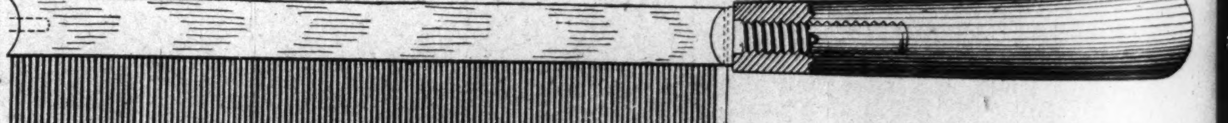

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"Gumble!" he called irritably.

A quavering voice, an unsteady step, and the old man entered again. "Mr. Stephen, sir?"

"Bring that decanter back. Didn't you hear me tell you just now?"

"Sir?"

"Didn't you hear me?"

"Yes, Mr. Stephen, sir."

There was a silence.

"Gumble!"

"Sir."

"Are you going to bring that decanter?"

The old butler bowed and ambled from the room, and for a long while Siward sat sullenly listening and scoring the edges of the paper with his trembling pencil. Then the lead broke short, and he flung it from him and pulled the bell. Wands came this time, a lank, sandy, silent man, grown gray as a rat in the service of the Siwards. He received his master's orders and withdrew, and again Siward waited, biting his under lip and tearing bits from the edges of the newspaper with fingers never still, but nobody came with the decanter, and after awhile his tense muscles relaxed. Something in his very soul seemed to snap, and he sank back in his chair, the hot tears blinding him.

He had got as far as that. Moments of self pity were becoming almost as frequent as scorching intervals of self contempt.

So they all knew what was the matter with him. They all knew—the doctor, the servants, his friends. Had he not surprised the quick suspicion in Fleetwood's glance when he told him he had slipped and sprained his ankle? What if he had been drunk when he fell—fell on his own doorsteps, carried into the old Siward house by old Siward servants, drunk as his forefathers? It was none of Fleetwood's business. It was none of the servants' business. It was nobody's business except his own.

The tears dried in his hot eyes. He jerked the old fashioned bell savagely, and after a long while he heard servants whispering together in the passageway outside his door.

Dr. Grisby came into the room.

Dr. Grisby came into the room from the outer shadows of the hall.

He was very small, very meager, very bald and clean shaven, with a face like a nut cracker, and the brown wig he wore was atrocious and curled forward over his colorless ears. He wore steel rimmed spectacles, each glass divided into two lenses and he stood on tiptoe to look out through the upper lenses on the world and always bent almost double to use the lower or reading lenses.

"What's all this racket?" said the little old doctor harshly. "Got colic? Got the toothache? I'm ashamed of you, Stephen! Look up! Look at me! Out with your tongue! Well, now, what the devil's the trouble?"

"You know," muttered Siward, abandoning his wrist to the little man, who seated himself beside him. Dr Grisby scarcely noted the pulse. The delicate pressure had become a strong caress.

"Know what?" he grunted. "How do I know what's the matter with you? Hey? Now, now, don't try to explain, Steve. Don't fly off the handle. All right; grant that I do know what's bothering you. I want to see that ankle first. Here, somebody! Light that gas. Why the mischief don't you have the house wired for electricity, Stephen? It's wholesome. Gas isn't. Lamps are worse, sir. Do as I tell you." And he went on loquaciously, grumbling and muttering and never ceasing his talk, while Siward, wincing as the dressing was removed, lay back and closed his eyes.

Half an hour later Gumble appeared to announce dinner.

"I don't want any," said Siward.

"Eat!" said Dr. Grisby harshly.

"I—don't care to."

"Eat, I tell you! Do you think I don't mean what I say?"

So he ate his broth and toast, the doctor curtly declining to join him. He ate hurriedly, closing his eyes in aversion. Even the iced tea was flat and distasteful to him.

And at last he lay back, white and unstrung, the momentarily deadened desperation glimmering under his half closed eyes. And for a long while Dr. Grisby sat, doubled almost in two, cuddling his bony little knees and studying the patterns in the faded carpet.

"I guess you'd better go, Stephen," he said at length.

"Up the river to Mulqueen's?"

"Yes. Let's try it, Steve. You'll be on your feet in two weeks. Then you'd

Dr. Grisby.

better go—up the river—to Mulqueen's."

"I—I'll go if you say so. But I can't go now."

"I didn't say go now. I said in two weeks."

"Perhaps."

"Will you give me your word?" demanded the doctor sharply.

"No, doctor."

"Why not?"

"Because I may have to be here on business. There seems to be some sort of crisis coming which I don't understand."

"There's a crisis right here, Steve, which I understand!" snapped Dr. Grisby. "Face it like a man! Face it like a man! You're sick—to your bones, boy—sick, sick! Fight the fight, Steve! Fight a good fight! There's a fighting chance! On my soul of honor there is, Steve, a fighting chance for you! Now, now, boy! Buckle up tight! Tuck up your sword sleeve! At 'em, Steve! Oh, my boy, my boy, I know; I know!" The little man's voice broke, but he steadied it instantly with a snap of his nutcracker jaws and scowled on his patient and shook his little withered fist at him.

His patient lay very still in the shadow.

"I want you to go," said the doctor harshly, "before your self control goes. Do you understand? I want you to go before your decision is undermined; before you begin to do devious things, sly things, cheating things, slinking things—anything and everything to get at the thing you crave. I've given you something to fight with, and you won't take it faithfully. I've given you free rein in tobacco and tea and coffee. I've helped you as much as I dare to weather the nights. Now, you help me, do you hear?"

"Yes, I will."

"You say so; now do it. Do something for yourself. Do anything. If you're sick of reading—and I don't blame you, considering the stuff you read—get people down here to see you; get lots of people. Telephone 'em. You've a telephone there, haven't you? There it is by your elbow. Use it. Call up people. Talk all the time."

"Yes, I will."

"Good! Now, Steve, we know what's the matter physically, don't we? Of course we do. Now, then, what's the matter mentally?"

"Mentally?" repeated Siward under his breath.

"Yes, mentally. What's the trouble? Stocks? Bonds? Lawsuits? Love?" The slightest pause and a narrowing of the gimlet eyes behind the lenses. "Love?" he repeated harshly. "Which is it, boy? They're all good to let alone."

"Business," said Siward. But, being a Siward, he was obliged to add "partly."

"Business—partly," repeated the doctor. "What's the matter with business—partly?"

"I don't know. There are rumors. Harrington is pounding me—apparently. That Intercounty crowd is acting ominously too. There's something underhand somewhere." He bent his head and fell to plucking at the faded brocade on the arm of his chair, muttering to himself: "Somewhere, somehow, something underhand. I don't know what. I really don't."

"All right; all right," said the doctor testily. "Let it go at that. Business symptoms admitted, what about the 'partly,' Stephen? What about it, eh? What about it?"

But Siward fell silent again.

"Eh? Did you say something? No? Oh, very well, ver-y well, sir! Perfectly correct, Stephen. You have not earned the right to admit further symptoms. No, sir, you have not earned the right to admit them to anybody, not even to yourself, nor to her!"

"She has refused me," Siward said simply.

The little doctor, after an incredulous stare, began chattering with wrath. "Refused you! Pah! Pooh! That's nothing. That signifies absolutely nothing. It's meaningless. It's a detail. You get well, do you hear? You go and get well; then try it again. Then you'll see. And if she is an idiot—in the event of her irrational persistence in an incredible and utterly indefensible attitude"—he choked up, then fairly barked at Siward—"take her anyway, sir! Run off with her! Dominate circumstances, sir! Take charge of events! But you can't do it till you've clapped yourself into prison for life! And God help you if you let yourself escape!"

Siward smiled again, a worn, pallid smile.

"I can stand it while you are here, doctor, but when I'm alone it's hard. One of those crises is close now. I've a bad night ahead—a bad outlook. Couldn't you"—

"No!"

"Just enough to"—

"No, Stephen."

"Enough to dull it just a little? I don't ask for enough to make me sleep, not even to make me doze. You have your needle, haven't you, doctor?"

"I dare not help you any more that way."

"Not this once?"

"Not this once."

There was a dead silence, broken at last by the doctor with a violent gesture toward the telephone. "Talk to the girl. Why don't you talk to the girl. If she's worth a hill o' beans she'll help you to hang on. What's she for if she isn't for such moments? Tell her you need her voice. Tell her you need her faith in you. Good night."

Siward lay still for a long while after the doctor had gone. More than an hour had passed before he slowly sat up and groped for the telephone book, opened it and searched in a blind, hesitating way until he found the number he was looking for.

He had never telephoned to her. He had never written her except once in reply to her letter in regard to his mother's death—that strange, timid, formal letter in which, grief stunned as he was, he saw only the formality and had answered it more formally still. And that was all that had come of the days and nights by that northern sea—a letter and its answer and silence.

And, thinking of these things, he shut the book wearily and lay back in the shadow of the faded curtain, closing his sunken eyes.

(Continued next week.)

Race Gleanings

Houston (Tex.) Academy closed May 14, after a successful year's work.

During the past seven years thirty-seven Negro papers have suspended publication in Florida.

The high school of Colbert, Okla., closed May 15. Prof. S. C. Counter has been elected for the next term.

John T. Writt is a popular and successful caterer at Pittsburg, Pa. He has been in the business for twelve years.

St. Luke's Hospital at Maslin, Tex., has been recently renovated and is ready to receive patients. Dr. R. B. Dupree is at the head.

S. Laing Williams, Louis B. Anderson and Oscar De Priest, of Chicago, recently organized the Taft Colored League of Illinois.

The Students' Tea Co. (inc.) is a Negro enterprise doing a good business at Richmond, Va., S. P. B. Steward is president; S. M. Garnet, vice president; Miss M. Alice Johnson, secretary; C. L. Rowlette, treasurer.

The Baptists are doing a great deal of missionary work throughout the State. There are many missionaries now doing excellent work. Rev. M. Finnell, of Magnolia Springs, Tex., was recently appointed as missionary of the Lone Star Association.

The Great National and High Educational Association of Glory will hold a High Educational Camp Meeting of Glory in June, July and August, in the True Light Army Camp Meeting. Archbishop Justus J. Evans, D. G., is the inaugurator and founder of the organization.

Potatoes are now being shipped from Hastings, Fla., by the trainload every day. The prices average $3.50 per barrel. Some have sold for $4.50 per barrel. The crop will be short owing to dry weather and blight, at least 25 per cent., and most of the potatoes shipped are sent on consignment. The gathering of the potatoe crop gives employment to about a thousand Negro laborers, men, women and children, from surrounding places. The farmers say they have found no machine that will answer the place of the "Negro at a potato rake."

The compilers of the Augusta (Ga.) directory estimate that fully 5,000 names of residents will be missing from the new volume, and this in spite of extraordinary efforts made to colect them. A majority of the persons not found in the directory are Negroes, and two main causes are given for the failure to obtain their names. One is the attitude of the large employers of the city, who, as a rule, will give the agents of the directory a full list of all their white employes, while refusing to give those of their colored hands. The other lies in the timidity of the Negroes themselves. They see in the agents officers of the law, and in the collecting of names for a city directory some new trick by the white men to bring about their undoing.

The Improved Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks of the World of Ft. Worth, Tex., had an election of officers. The following officers were elected for the next six months: J. A. Jones, exalted ruler; James Hudson, esteemed leading knight; J. A. Allen, esteemed loyal knight; L. G. Ford, esteemed lecturing knight; A. L. Reece, treasurer; F. D. Massey, secretary, and the folowin gofficers have been appointed by the exalted ruler, Edward Willis: Robt. Young, chaplain; Lewis Tribune, inner guard; Dr. Townsend, medical examiner; Dr. N. Thos. Wallis, legal adviser; O. D. Denard, organist; Jno. W. Pamilton, master social sessions. Trustees: Wm. J. Vaughns, Nelson Baker, Robt. D. Smith.

Boys and girls can earn more than what it requires to keep them in school books and clothes by selling The Freeman every Saturday.

THE STATUS OF MR. TAFT.

HIS BAND OF FOLLOWERS IS ON THE INCREASE.

MR. DUBOIS NOT QUITE SO RAMPANT.

The Brownsville Affair is Not Believed to be Sufficient to Drive the Negroes from the Party of their First Love.

Secretary Taft is getting the votes right along. If he manages to add to his bunch up until the convention date, he will be dislodged only with the greatest difficulty. His managers evidently are not expecting a stampede, but expect to hold fast to the delegates pledged, to which neucleus they will add until the chairman delares it is all over.

By the way, Mr. Dubois the great apostle of the widest expansion in every direction is not nearly so rampant as formerly. In his little publication "The Horizon," he says:

"We who are of the true faith, as we firmly believe, and would rather vote for Bryan than Taft must remember that our chief work in the next campaign is to convince men as honest as we who cannot see that our proposed action is wise. We must not make the tactical error of losing our temper or calling these men names. We believe them wrong, but we also believe that they, as well as we, desire the interests of our race and of our country. With such men we must argue earnestly in the next few months."

The sane advice is a little late; we've "done been" calling names, and making the tactical error of losing our temper, whatever kind of error that is. Sure it is the business of such men to adivse moderation when the best results may come only by such procedure. The race question: When it comes to the bettering of condition, the process will be long drawn out extending over the years in front of us. Whatever we may do will but accelerate or retard what is to be. The proposition is safe, it is axiomatic. But none of us are so sure of the means to hasten the hoped for ends, or if so, are quite unwilling to undergo the tedium having the same in mind. We do know, however, most of us that there are somethings that may be done that will insure a sort of hostility that is certain, far reaching and from which effects the race will be long in recovering.

The intent of the major portion of the delegates selected is that Mr. Taft be President. This in spite of the strenuous race effort to beat him. We are of the opinion that the race went outside of the ordinary in choosing means to defeat him. Mr. DuBois and many others have apparently relented the exceedingly high ground and indeed for the better. A race question purely will fare very hard in politics. The country is a unit on the question and the attempt to shift it will not be a success. The Northern people, Republican or Democrats are fairly the same, and the appeal would simply be from Ceasar to Ceasar. In the South the white people are practically a unit in the "disposition" of the Negro, there the appeal would be also useless. It is very simple, very plain, and yet there are many that effect not to understand it, hoping to beat out relief by some of "get rich quick idea," which generally ends in more poverty. It is not different in this case; we suffer every time we unduly hasten matters along. The advocacy of Mr. Bryan in preference to either Roosevelt or Taft loses in force when thinking of the train of possible hurting consequences in the event of his election. We cannot see it that so much has happened as to warrant such talk. Even for campaign influence the race would be as a bad quantity to inject into the transaction—In short, we have no right to trade on the race, and if men do so there should be enough sanity left to rise up and repudiate the deals.

There has been nothing proven in the Brownsville matter; it rests just as it did months ago, regardless of what this or that person may think about it. And at no time has there been evidence sufficient so far as the general country knows to warrant decided pros and cons. Notwithstanding this condition we have had most vigorous anti-administration manifestation known to the race. It is quite time the pendulum swings the other way. We should prefer to have a reasonable certainty of a successful future, rather than one attended with doubt at the outset. As before intimated Mr. Bryan is a splendid man, a splendid American, the right sort of liberalism demands that that much be said of him, but unfortunately there are others to reckon with. Some of us effect not to know this in our zeal to show the administration a few things. In speaking along this line Bishop Derrick of the A. M. E. church said recently:

"Nothing can be done by him or any other Republican to obliterate the debt we owe the party of freedom and liberality. No matter who is nominated at Chicago, whether President Roosevelt, Secretary Taft or Senator Foraker, he will have the undivided support of the Negroes of the country. Whatever feeling of animosity may have been entertained in connection with the Brownsville incident will pass away."

Here is what will be called waving the blody shirt; its the old gospel, but not without fact. If we are wise we will do just as the eminent Derrick says, and not simply because he said so, but because it is the only thing to do under the circumstances.

A UNIQUE HOTEL.

A publication has the following anent a hotelkeeper in Athens, O.:

At Athens, O., is a hotel kept by a landlord who does not call, in a social way, on his guests. This landlord is a colored man. His name is Berry, and the traveling boys call his place "The Blackberry." And they make it a point to go there and stay as long as business will allow. The Berry House is one of the best hotels I ever saw. It is the only hotel in the town, for Berry has set a pace which no competitor is able to follow. The service is faultless; the rooms immaculate; the cooking a work of art. Berry is his own chef; he loves his work and so gives to it an individuality. Mrs. Berry is the housekeeper, and her attention to details provès that genius is sometimes feminine.

For instance, in every room is writing paper, a calendar, a pin cushion, needles and thread and a bottle of violet water in the bath rooms. You might expect the souvenir hunter to steal Berry to a standstill, but she doesn't.

A hotel is known by the soap it supplies.

No tips are allowed in the Berry House on penalty. They tell of one man who gave the landlord a quarter, mistaking him for a porter. The amount was duly credited on the man's bill. The rule is now well understood. Berry started with a hole-in-the-wall. Now he owns the block. He is worth easily a hundred thousand dollars and is regarded by his townspeople as a highly honorable, competent and intelligent man. The traveling public swear by him, not at him.

Congressman Grosvenor is the Pericles of Athens, O. When you see Grosvenor once you know him ever after. Grosvenor is a man of worth, a man of power, but I noticed he did not object sitting next to Berry, and that they met as friends and equals.

Berry has run his hotel for twenty years and has never had a bar. He puts forever the kibosh on that ancient superstition that success in the hotel business turns on the sale of booze.

Also I reckon Booker T. is right when he says, "The world waives the color line when the colored man has something it wants."

WHAT DID THE COURT DO?

Attorney McGhee, of St. Paul, will find that the Supreme Court has advised, or handed down an opinion, or something like, concerning the separate coach question. The President and the Interstate Commerce Commission both quote the Supreme Court as construing that portion of the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution, which says that "No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States," as in no way interfering with laws of States providing for separate coaches. It is all that is said on the point in question. One will readily see how easily separate coaches or anything separate can work by the "unguarded" expression. Plainly enough, it was not the intent of those making the law to permit these latter day "diversions" or "by-plays," or perhaps better yet, these perversions of the law. Yet this very elasticity has served its purpose. Under our present day citizenship it would have been a calamity to have invited force sufficient to have secured the operation of the law of the intent. The separate coach idea is concurrent with the rest of the business, none of which may be expected to change until all begin to change. All laws are the expressions of the people as to the rules by which they will abide. When taking written form these are the laws. The point is that they are not made beforehand to govern the people, but as an afterthought, dictated by the people who will abide by them because they agreed to do so.

The point again is that we will have to be a part, an accepted part, of those expressing themselves as to what laws they care for, before there will be that "cordiality" in such matters as may be expected. Finally it means that, somehow, the race must get in accord with the great majority if it expects to enjoy benefits in common. These are principles. It will not matter about the injustice, nor about the difficulty in conforming to conditions; it is most essential that the race does conform, and the sooner it gets about it the better.

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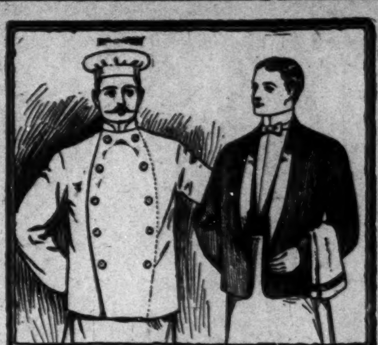

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The Prohibition party will vote its ticket with the accustomed regularity.

The Supreme Court did something about the seperate coach business, anyhow.

If the days we've been having are a sample of what we are to get for the next three months, we'll have a long hot spell.

The local candidates are dispersed and wandered. About the last of August or the first of September they will begin to straggle in.

Vice-President is not standing for the other end of the ticket; he is for President. He is the only favorite son without dissent at home.

The preservation of the forest—reforestration—is a call that needs answering. And from all indications, it will not be a long while before much of the timber that has been so recklessly destroyed will be "restored."

The movement to colonize Liberia by emancipated United States Negroes was a private enterprise. Our country has never exercised any influence, other than moral, there is a sort of parental feeling, but simply due to the fact, that distinguished American citizens, led the colonization movement.

Captain Harry S. New, chairman of the National Republican Committee, is having the time of his life in attempting to supply the demands made on him for convention tickets. It ought to be understood that the convention will be held indoors.

As might have been expected that "social equality" affair in New York has stirred up the "natives." The Negroes in the South have been no less out-spoken than the publications by white men. Either have denounced the affair as untimely, uncalled for and a mischief breeder.

Bishop Derrick says, of course the bishops assembled in solemn conclave did not make use of the language attributed to them. The Bishop, however, does not speak ex-cathedra since he was not in the country. Not that he is mistaken, but the "John Aldens" should speak up for themselves.

Tears and cheers for Blue and Gray. Men do not lay down their lives unless they believe what they preach. Any man dying for a principle he holds to be right is entitled to respect. He swears to it with his life. Is further proof of sincerity wanting?

"The past rises again before me like a dream." Those were the well remembered words of the late Robert G. Ingersoll, uttered on a most memorable occasion at the beginning of the renown Grand Army of the Republic, when standing on the spot where the monument stands today.

What will be the use of going to Colorado if Mr. Bryan is a sure go? The opposition is right in keeping up a noise like a show to win. Mr. Bryan has not had pledged him the necessary two-thirds vote. In all probability, he will get the required votes. But, as the old saw goes: "There's many a slip between the cup and the lip." And in this world of chance-taking, nothing is done until 'tis done

The colored people of Chicago are particularly noted for the social phase of their life, the Convention gives great excuse for something glorious to happen in society, and that city is right up with the opportunity. The swellest event known to the Negro Social Life is to be put on in the convention season. Invitations will be as scarce as convention tickets.

The fathers of the country recently met in national pow-wow at Washington, talking big business. It is said that this conference was the first one to be held since the days of George Washington. All of the Governors of the states, distinguished men in public life answered the call of President Roosevelt. Resolutions were passed, having in mind the preservation of the natural resources of the country, the promotion of irrigation, the clearing and the enlarging of the waterways. The need of some such action was at once manifest, and these men, as a rule, chosen representatives of the people, entered into the spirit of the work.

The Prohibition convention met last week, and as usual, named a ticket, after the usual contests, the delegates went home as usual, knowing as usual, that the ticket would be defeated as usual. Remarkable men! Here's your stoicism in its better sense—the indifference as to what others may do. "We will declare our principles and which means as it concerns us, the things contended for as won, in that as far as we are able to have it so."

Really that party is to be admired. Men are to be admired who come smilingly up, after defeat, as the world views it, year after year, and without spent hope, as is so often the case with other parties, so many of which have been given up after futile efforts to make way in the political affairs of the country.

It is said that, rather than have two feet of waste space above the ice box in his new home at Pocantico Hills, John D Rockefeller will spend $2,000 for a larger ice box. Mr. Rockefeller, while inspecting the details of his new home, found that there were two feet of space between the top of the box and the ceiling not utilized.

"What is that space to be used for?" he asked. The workingman in charge replied: "That is waste space."

Mr. Rockefeller then gave orders to the builders to tear out the ice box and replace it with one that will reach to the ceiling. The new box will cost $2,000 and work on it was begun immediately.

The ruling habit is yet strong with Mr. John, regardless of his money. He believes in occupying all the space in whatever he undertakes.

The town was full of Masons Monday, who came from all parts of the state, and not a few from without the state, to attend the corner stone laying ceremonies of their magnificent temple, now being erected. The procession was imposing, consisting as it did of an orderly array of Knight Templars, on horse back and afoot. Besides these, there were thousands of the plain white aproned men, scarcely less imposing in their simplicity than their richly "caparisoned" brothers. The temple, when completed, will represent an outlay of $600,000.

Indianapolis will be vastly benefited by the beautiful structure which will represent the best effort of the architectural art. The city is rapidly taking rank as the leading city of the western hemisphere, as a "thing" of beauty. The Masonic temple will be in keeping with the nation, and will, perhaps, head the list of beautiful structures.

The colored people of Chicago are preparing in a big way, for those of the race, who will visit that city during the National Republican Convention. What is being advertised as the most brilliant affair known to the city, will take place under the well-known Eight Illinois Regiment, June 18. This regiment has the proud distinction of being the only one of color maintained by any State in the union. It has a fine set of officers, headed by Col. John R. Marshall, who has become as favorably known as his regiment.

It is said that at this function the officers will be in full regimentals, being "host" to the many distinguished men expected from all parts of the Union.

As to the women, "all" Chicago is expected, and as it has never been seen before. Already talk of going is ripe. In short, the event is expected, not only to eclipse what that city has done heretofore along the line of entertaining, but it is expected to go down in history as the greatest and handsomest reception ever given among colored women and men in this country.

SOME POLITICAL ECONOMY.

It was Mathus or Henry George or some other great doctor of political economy, who declared that it would only be a matter of time before the people would crowd the space now employed in raising food to sustain the people. What would then happen is not unknown to us, but perhaps it would be nearing the day of general translation and which, by the way, would be in keeping with the theory of the agreement of science and the Bible. The Biblical end, coming when the earth's resources are exhausted, would be very poetry of the fitness of things. There are those who scoff the notion, that natural rescources have an ending. She certainly has. And were we yet to boom in the centuries to come, we would see some interesting things. Really to appreciate the thing thoroughly, we would have had to exist in the two ages—now and then.

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But, apparently, our President is determined not to experiment at the exhaustion business. We've already pranked with nature and won. Look at Franklin, what did he do? And then there's Edison, Marconi and a host of others who did great things with nature—put saddle on, bit in her mouth and rode her. Mr. Roosevelt sees our forests, slipping away, our minerals reduced. He is not concerned about the Malthusian doctrine of the people crowding on the agricultural domain. Our country is much too large for immediate concern. All the people of America can stand up in Marion County, Indiana, and have considerable space to wobble in; much more than that allotted an individual catching a time to get home for supper car on a "sunshiny" Thursday at an Indiana State Fair. Giving each man a square foot, Marion County can entertain the earth. Let us see: calling the county 10 square miles, 5,280 feet to a mile, add a naught and call it multiplied by 10 for the feet, 52,800 feet. Squaring the number, taking it 52,800 times. Deal with the fives; cut out the 28 for brevity—5 times 5, we get 25, put all the naughts, some eight and behold, 2,500,000,000. Mind you, this means minus 28 by 28 and the four naughts which is no small sum to be added on by the way of space.

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We are not alarmed in this country by the Dr. Malthus theory, and never will be, as long as man remembers how to build sky scrapers "there's room at the top," and until builder forgets his cunning, he will "plow" upward. There'll not be much danger of breadth in growth; we will grow tall and taller leaving the soil free to support all comers.

The consumption of forests goes merrily on, there's no way to make good here, but to plant more trees, and they do not spring like the trees under the magician's wand. A good quarter of a century will be required to make any showing against the devastation. Perhaps in calling the very notable conference of Governors and eminent men together, the President had the trees first in mind. All along the Government has been calling attention to this phase of preservation, so the importance of the call was at once appreciated, and really stands out in Mr. Roosevelt's administration as one great act where political "taint" was not legislating for posterity, and where self, or selfishness could never figure. Re-planting, has received attention along with other great national needs—irrigation, making clear the waterways, and such like that call for united action on the part of the general "overseers" of the country.

BROWNSVILLE UP TO DATE.

When white men, many of whom are in official life, are insisting that the evidence submitted in the Brownsville affair tends to show that the Negro soldiers shot up the town, it is highly proper for the race to take the stand that there is doubt about how it happened. Many of us have insisted all along that the soldiers have been wronged in the matter, and with that insistence that should only spring from the clearest evidence, of the most intimate knowledge. What we may suspect, owing to what is known of race relation in general, or what we may suspect owing to the misunderstanding in the particular instance, are not sufficient for public utterances where such are meant to stand for the race.

The Freeman from the beginning has maintained that guilt has not, according to its view, been fixed on the soldiers, nor has it been fixed elsewhere according to its notion. It cannot see what larger view others have on which to base such decided convictions. Really, there is no reason for these unshakable opinions—nothing is proven until it is proven. The fact of the matter is that too much race partisanship entered the matter. We "jes knowed" things, and, as said before, based on unpleasant race relations, known to exist generally, and in the particular instance. The utmost impatience has been manifested; the utmost discredit of all evidence that did not tend to establish the innocence of the men. In other words, most of us have had ears but for one side of the business—ex parte evidence or nothing. And we feel to say that regardless of the final outcome, that we will suffer some, have suffered some, through the operation.

White men, while busily maintaining that the Negroes did shoot up the town, are just as unreasonable as the Negroes who maintain the contrary thing. These have the evidence submitted for their guidance and should formulate their opinions accordingly. They are not ex-cathedra in the matter. Evidence is evidence, and when submitted does not require an expert for interpretation. Twelve men, when selected to hear evidence, are selected because of good judgment, because they are not predisposed. They are likely to be as "verdant" as the hills in the summer time; not necessarily so, but sometimes preferred because they are that way, the only requirement being that they be honest and of good judgment. It militates against the notion that experts are required to recognize the truth when it is uttered. No peculiar information has come through the series of investigation. And as we see it, there has been no advance in the case since the very first days. Senator Warner, of Missouri, is not justified in "knowing" that the Negroes were implicated. He is entitled to his opinions just as the Negroes are entitled to theirs. No conclusive evidence has been submitted. And until such is forthcoming we may as well consent to accept the best disposition of the case—the disposition that will give the greater amount of satisfaction.

All agree that at the worst no more than a dozen men could have been implicated. Most men agree that the innocent portion of the troops should be restored to the army. How the innocent are to be selected is the question. It is indeed a question, since the construction sustains the point that the troops, some part of them, were guilty. It is the thing that does not want to be maintained by Senator Foraker and the Negroes who do not believe that any were guilty. As we view it again, discretion must be exercised if all are to be satisfied. This has in mind those contending pro and con. The spirit of compromise should come to the relief of the situation in view of the doubt, in view of the uncertainty in the matter. The bills before Congress are intended to afford relief. The one by the Ohio Senator is better calculated to get the men back in the service. And if the President is inclined to the shortest way out of an ugly muddle, it seems that he would favor the measure with that end in view. In contrasting the two bills for the relief of the soldiers, Senator Foraker says:

"The Warner bill requires the men to prove their innocence to the satisfaction of the President; the Foraker bill allows all to re-enlist who take an oath they had no part in the affray. The Warner bill does not authorize correction of the records, while the Foraker bill provides for such correction. The Warner bill does not remove the bar against re-enlistment, while the Foraker bill explicitly removes that bar. Moreover, the Foraker bill restores the non-commissioned officers to the rank they held, while Senator Warner's bill does not.

DENOUNCING THE ADMINISTRATION.

Denouncing a national Republican administration by a Republican convention is the very unusual, yet that very thing has happened in more than one instance during this campaign for the presidential nomination. These cases have happened in the South, and with the view of killing off the Taft sentiment. The general view is that Taft means Roosevelt; that whatsoever is done unto Mr. Taft is done also unto Mr. Roosevelt. And it may be no mistaken view since it is fairly conceded that the President prefers to see the Secretary of War his successor. The well-known aversion to the President by the Negroes over that Bangoo's ghost of a Brownsville is the reason for the strange conduct of several conventions of the recent past. It goes without saying that these conventions made great mistakes. Political antagonism seldom carries so far, and most especially within party ranks.

Denunciation is the part of the avowed opposition. Denunciation does not simply mean displeasure concerning some specific act, some one "wrong." It means the striking down of the administration without qualification, without any sense of reservation. The lookeron in Vienna, unless more than a casual observer, will never know anything about the hair-splitting distinctions, and for the life of him could guess that such a denunciation was not sweeping—including all policies and all acts. More than likely these conventions, which were mainly of Negroes, did not dream of challenging the administration on other counts beyond the Brownsville matter. But the public has no way of knowing that the good, even as viewed by those who made up those conventions, was not also attacked, denounced.

By the way, what show will the delegates from such conventions have that they be recognized in the National Convention when they have denounced the whole business? The administration is the creature of the National Convention. It is true the creature sometimes becomes abnormally developed, yet it is not different to other phases of spiritual and physical beings. In other words, "true to life."

The creature, however, does not forget its source, and in time it puts itself at one—in accord. So it is difficult to think of the two "beings" apart. And yet men are silly enough to assail one or the other, if you please, and yet expect to be a part of the same thing. Here's your most philosophic discord—attempting an entity of a destroyed self. Denunciation equals destruction, at least as a mental process; physical restraint only militates against the mind intent. The theory may not be spun out as the foregoing, but the chances are that the delegates of such conventions will tarry long at the gates.

What were they to do? What should they have done? Simply stood for the administration, deplored the unfortunate event, prayed for the restoration of the men and gone on to Chicago for Foraker, Fairbanks, Cannon, Knox, Hughes, or any of the "boys."

PIGEON-HOLED.

Among the bills pigeon-holed in the present session of Congress is that for the relief of the Twenty-fifth Infantry. And very unfortunate, too, that it is so. The approaching campaign will have sufficient issues without a race question, which is so difficult to settle to the satisfaction of all. The members of Congress know this—know the difficulty of giving satisfaction, no matter what horn of the dilemma they might seize. In the language of a certain character known to literature, and who held with the hare and the hounds, "Much might be said on either side." We of the one conviction, whoever we may be, will not see much hare and hounds about it. But it is a very poor question that does not admit of two sides; if it does not, then it is not a question.

The following from New York also may not settle the business, but it does insist that there are pros and cons, at least in some minds:

President Roosevelt did not overstep his authority when he dismissed from the service Negro soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Infantry for alleged participation in a riot at Brownsville, according to a decision rendered today by Judge Hough in the United States District Court. Oscar W. Reid, one of the dismissed soldiers, had sued the Government to recover $122 as wages from the date of his dismissal to the expiration of his term of enlistment.

Judge Hough, in his decision, held that the President acted entirely within his rights in dismissing the soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment, inasmuch as the enlistment papers and oath provide that a soldier shall serve "for the period of three years unless sooner discharged by proper authority." The President is proper authority, the decision declares, and continues:

"Whether Reid or his comrades or any of them were guilty of the riotous disturbance in question, or whether Reid personally committed any infraction of good order or military discipline, or whether he is in fact a desirable soldier, or knew or withheld anything tending toward the discovery of the perpetrators of the Brownsville riot, or whether so far as Reid or others are concerned the President's action was unnecessarily severe, cruel or unjust—are questions beyond this judicial investigation. By the soldiers' contract the burden of military service is not for a definite time, but for three years unless discharged by proper authority.

"I do not give assent to the assertion that a soldier's engagement is or bears much resemblance to a civil contract of hire; but on the assumption that it is such a contract terminable at will if that will be expressed through a proper official."

Judgment was directed against the petitioner with costs.

We see no reason to question the decision. In fact, The Freeman has never held the President to be without authority, not because we possessed peculiar information, nor because we felt to know anything about his prerogatives as commander-in-chief of the army; but because in the most common practices in the most common places men are careful of their premises when taking steps that, where the welfare of the many are concerned, or when the affairs are of great moment. Surely a President would not be less careful than ordinary men in ordinary places. This kind of reasoning does not necessarily say that Mr. Roosevelt was right. It does say that he saw the case differently to what many others saw it, and the most that can be made of it is that there were honest differences of opinions. Senator Foraker saw it one way, sees it one way, and that in opposition to the President. But all along the President has been sustained—no small matter—proving at least that thing is not one sided by any means. In fact, if we are honest in the matter we will readily declare that the preponderance of support of contentions is on the President's side. Much of this support has been proffered merely, based on prejudice. And the same may be said of the other side—based on the fact of the known prejudice. But we will find it difficult to work around the congressional committee which voted to sustain the President; and now comes this test case, putting a court phase on the matter. Nor all of this would make a thing right if it were wrong. But we should at least, and at last, conclude that it appears different to different persons.

One will think that we make a much ado about "nothing." There would be but very little to say beyond the usual comment on such questions had it not been for those most pronounced and unreasonable stands taken by race papers and prominent men all over the country. One would have thought the President had not a leg to stand on, whereas he has been sustained in those places that count most. Out of it all comes a great big lesson against cocksureness in matters of moment. Civil and political wisdom would have declared at once that the President of the nation was not intriguing to put the Negroes at odds, as it has been so often said. In entertaining such notions we read ourselves out of his protection, and which is vouchsafed all. A race cannot afford to take such a stand until forced to do so by repeated offenses and which admit of no doubt. Such a period in American affairs may come, but it has not come, and we do well not to hasten the day.

RAMBLINGS.

President Eliot, of Harvard, says that all men are not born free and equal. It is well known that all were not born free; it does not disturb the fact that they should have been born free. Of course they are not born equal, as he says; with equal capacity. This is demonstrated every day; no two persons are equally mentally endowed. It will not take the emminent Eliot to make that fact patent. The expression is pretty, one we love to work off in political times, or when standing for the equality of man. Equality of opportunity is the contention, the permissible proposition.

Perhaps if all men, the first man, and all subsequent men had subscribed to, and lived up to the laws that tended to preserve man, unknown of course, they might have entailed a progeny free of those diseases that beset men, working down to their offsprings, distorting and enfeebling organs and functions, giving us the abnormalism in too great frequency, and in this day is common as the normal. Nature did not intend the corruption. See the trees of the forest; very few gnarled and stunted when unobstructed in growth. Man patterns so nearly after nature that the trees of the forest will serve as a type of what he should be. Since there are occasional freaks in nature, it stands to reason that they are the unavoidable, but with man they are the rule, either externally or internally. What man is quite free from pain? The trees are seldom sick; not pale, serve of leaf, dropping, before autumn. All other nature is fairly the same and which so typifies man in life, death and reproduction.

Simple herbs, sufficed the simple people, but nature seems to have anticipated, and consequently locked up in those simple herbs were there prospective compounds, as if to meet the coming complex man. Then horses too, are getting fastidious, and horse doctors—veterinarians—are springing up everywhere to equal the new dopes being given them in order to give the horses a "get," and also to care for broken limbs, received in ways and places horses that they were never meant to be in.

We are not equal mentally, owing to some of those reasons, and which is plain enough. We eat what we like but what often does not like us; it rebels; the doctor must be called in to set things right. Mental and physical impairment passes on, taints the line; then what? Don't mention it?

CLOSE OF ZION CONFERENCE.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

PHILADELPHIA.—The closing session of the General Conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zian Church was held at Wesley A. M. E. Zion Church, this city, on Friday of last week. Rev. Dr. W. H. Goler was re-elected president of Livingstone College by acclamation. The conference decided that the corresponding, missionary, general and financial secretaries should be located in Philadelphia, and the financial secretary should be bonded for $15,000 and the rest for $6,000. It was also decided to take steps to incorporate the denomination.

The next General Conference will meet in Charlotte, N. C.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A son was born on Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Powell....Clarence Jones, of Addison, is visiting his sister, Miss Minnie Jones....Wm. Dingous, of Cleveland, O., has joined the Baptist Church....The masquerade party given by the Jolly Six on last Tuesday evening was a grand success....J. F. Thompson enjoyed an automobile ride to Watkins on Sunday....Mrs. C. F. Matthews and Mrs. H. J. Starks have returned from Philadelphia. ....Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Thompson entertained, on Sunday evening, Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Thompson and Miss Amelia Hill.

COLOR LINE IN IOWA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

While attending the State Association of Congregational Churches at Waterloo, Iowa, Rev. A. L. DeMond, a colored Congretional minister, who is pastor of the Congregational Church at Buxton, Iowa, was refused accommodation at every hotel in the city. Rev. DeMond was educated at Cortland, N. Y., and Washington, D. C., and has been engaged in educational, temperance and missionary work for the past twenty years. He is also editor of the Buxton Gazette and is one of the most widely known colored Congregational ministers in the United States.

MT. VERNON, IND.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The G. A. R. and the Relief Corps held their annual services Sunday, at the A. M. E. Church. Rev. Turner preached the sermon. Miss Minnie Bishop was mistress of ceremonies. Prayer was offered by Miss Mardin. Mrs. Cora Bishop read a splendid paper. Misses Nellie Foster and Grace Bishop rendered a beautiful duet, "We're Growing Old." Sherman Wesley and Herman Bishop spoke of the flag. A dialogue was rendered by a number of little girls....Miss Margaret Chism and Miss Gertrude Chism were in the city yesterday, attending the horse show. ....Bud Sellers has opened an ice cream parlor on East Third street....The following persons were initiated in Sheba Chapter, O. E. S., Monday night: Mrs. Ada Anderson, Eunice Bishop, Nannie Bishop....Mrs. McAlister and Mrs. Spottsville have returned from Terre Haute, where they attended the funeral of their father....Henry Yancy has returned from Paducah, where he has been visiting his brother, whom he has not seen for fifteen years....George McClure is now assistant agent for THE FREEMAN.

HANLY URGES COLORED MEN TO HIGHER IDEALS

Special to The Freeman.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Saying that the progress of the colored race in the last forty years has been unparalleled in history, Governor J. Frank Hanly of Indiana, in addressing the graduating class of 100 at Howard University to night, urged the graduates to work for the betterment of their race.

He said the colored race, more than any other, needs to learn the lesson of obedience to the law and appealed to his hearers to work for the abolition of the liquor traffic.

He said great mistakes had been made both by the North and the South, and also the colored race itself, but that any race conducting itself with full regard to its responsibilities would always get a square deal from the American people.

SPECIAL TRAIN TO LEXINGTON.

On June 21, 1908. Round trip, $1.50. Train leaves First Street Depot at 8 o'clock sharp. William Bennett manager; S. G. Bibb, assistant manager.

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R. BALLINGER, 343 W. 14th Street, New York.

Williams and Walker will open their vaudeville engagement at the Colonial, New York, June 1.

Mr. P. J. Cooper would like to hear from Geo. Temple and Toliver. • Address, 40 Eighth street, Milwaukee.

The Smalls, Chas. T. and Nellie V., are playing with "Temptest and Sunshine" Co. (white) in Milwaukee this week.

Mr. Shelton Minor is putting on a repertoir company at White Fish Bay in Milwaukee. His first play will be "Uncle Tom's Cabin." We wish him success.

Mrs. Eph. Williams, the wife of the colored circus man of Milwaukee, is very ill. She is traveling with her husband, Professor Williams, in South Carolina.

Milwaukee now has a good colored band and orchestra, getting all the work they can do. Musicians would do well to write to Harry S. Jones, 206 Wells street.

Ernest Hogan is much improved, and will spend the heated term in Jersey among the pines, attended by his mother, who will come from Bowling Green, Ky. Mr. Hogan sends regards to all friends.

Aida Overton Walker will give a benefit, June 3, at the Grand Central Palace, New York, for the benefit of the White Rose Industrial Home for Colored Working Girls. Harrison Stewart, formerly of the Pekin, will be among the performers.

The Great Hallbacks, the act that paves the way for all colored acts, opened on the Ansmon's circuit week of May 25 for six weeks. Week of May 25, Crystal Theater, Anderson, Ind.; June 1, Crystal, Logansport, Ind.; June 8, Crystal, Frankfort, Ind. Regards to all friends; enemies help yourselves. Hello to "The Boys."

Caldwell & Thomas, while playing at the Bijou Theater week of the 18th were given a grand reception by the Colored Society Club of Muskegon, Mich., at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Stewart, 25 Market street. Those present were Richard Thompson, Mrs. Millie Thompson, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, David Harris, Jno. White, Mrs. Lydia White, George Stewart, Mrs. Alice Stewart, Miss Myrtle Stewart, Mrs. Morril Stewart, Billy Caldwell and Will Thomas.

A book of instructions for actors has been published. The following is one of the paragraphs devoted to love-making: "The head drops a little on one side; the eyelids are drawn more closely than usual; the eye, directed toward the object, moves with slowness; the mouth is half opened; the respiration is slow, and from time to time cut short by a profound sigh, and the arms fall negligently by the side of the body. In more impulsive manifestations the arms are extended. The tendency toward reunion varies from the clasped hands of warm and cordial friendship to the ordinary stage embrace of lovers of opposite sex, expressed by mutually passing the arms around the neck."

George Lloyd McClain, of the 10th Cavalry Band and stage manager of the Famous 10th Cavalry Minstres, writes from Ft. William McKinley, P. I.: I would like to say that there are four songs that I have used which I can now handle with realty, "Under the Bamboo Tree," Down Where the Cocoanuts Grow," "Dear Luzon," "Under the Tropic Moon" and "On the Gay Luneta," and you bet it is the gayest place in the world. Three regiments and about 500 Casuals (all soldiers) to attend including many civilians. The success is fine every night. S. R. O. Mr. and Mrs. McClain sends regards to all friends in or out of the profession. The tony trio, "Ora Criswell," John Rucker, Al Watts, Mr. and Mrs. Kersands and the Pekin Company and the Memphis kid, "McRutherford," at Little Savoy, 2634 State street, Chicago, Ill., and all members of the Savoy, would be glad to heard from anyone in or out of the profession at any time. On about the 6th of June will take my show on the transport "Beaufort" to Guam and Honolula, Hawaii, and later will sail for Nagasaki, Japan, and Australia.

M'CABE'S TROUBADOURS.

After a season of nine successful months spent in Minesota, Illinois, North and South Dakota, Missouri and Iowa, the company will close at Stanford, Ill., on Decoration Day, May 30.

Mr. Wm. McCabe has purchased new scenery and costumes for next season and has also placed an order for all special paper.

The company has been pronounced by all opera house managers where it has played to be one of the most refined and up-to-date colored companies ever in their houses.

LOWEY'S MUSICAL ENTERPRISE.

We have just left the State of Pennsylvania, and are now in Wisconsin, playing to good business throughout the State. P. G. Lowery's band of fourteen pieces needs no introduction whatever.

Miss Estella Phillips is singing "It's Hard to Love Somebody Whose Loving Somebody Else." Mrs. Hattie Garland says for Miss Leana to write. John Edwards is cleaning up singing "I Wonder if There's Chicken in the Sky." Mrs. Blanch Beechum is still holding hers as a female interlocutor. Charles Beechum is making a hit all along the line singing "Big Chief—Battle Axe."

OCMULGEE PARK, MACON, GA.

Business continues to grow larger at each performance. This park is truly the largest recreation park in the South devoted exclusively to the amusement of colored people. Many large picnics have already taken place at the park, not only from the city of Macon, but surrounding towns.

The show in the Casino under the management of W. Goff Kennedy, bids fair to outshine any similar company. Theresa Burroughs, "The Doll," singing and dancing soubrette, is a recent and valuable acquisition to our players. Amos Gilliard, trombone soloist, certainly made a decided hit last week with his solo, and is a valued member of our band and orchestra. Chink Floyd, one of Macon's favorite comedians, is once more back. His break-neck song and dance is a scream, and the people seem never to tire of his comedy gyrations.

"Laughing Lamar," that celebrated fun maker, is indeed a comedian of rare ability, and in a class to himself, as the amount of applause nightly shows that he can make good anywhere. He will be seen with the Black Patti show the coming season. Carrie Hall is still in line, handing out fresh ones and getting a lion's share of the applause. Emma Johnson is also a redhot favorite.

Emma Foster, the petite and dashing soubrette, seems to improve at every performance. Isom Johnson and Tom Johnson, comedians, are also hard-working members of the stock company. John Sherman, basso, is in good voice. The orchestra, under Piccolo Jones, far surpasses the regular road show orchestra. Following is the personnel: Piccolo Jones, piano and director; E. B. Dudley, first violin; Walter H. Childs, cornet; Amos L. Gilliard, trombone; Walter Law, double bass; John Clark, traps; Irvin Dickson, clarinet; Charles Crenshaw, second cornet.

The band of fourteen, under E. B. Dudley, is hard to beat. Charles Collier is certainly to be congratulated on securing such high-class entertainers for the amusement lovers of Macon.

W. Goff Kennedy, the well-known character comedian and stage manager, is soon to become a benedict. He sends regards to J. Ed Green, Al Watts, The Gillams, W. H. Dorsey and all friends., also regards to Exchange Theater bunch of Jacksonville, Fla.

DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

After laying off a few days, preparing for the summer season, the company opened at Fort Wayne, Ind., where the business was, as usual, good for good shows. The Dandy Dixie Company has made several changes for the best, which truly makes it stronger than it has ever been. With the return of Manzie Campbell, the grotesque and eccentric drummer, and Monroe Tabor, who is doubtless the black Al H. Martin, proof is positive of our strength. Aside from these, we have T. J. Ridley, clarinetist of the Ninth Cavalry band, and A. G. Jones, a musician of enviable repute. Our band is greatly strengthened. Arthur Prince, Campbell and Meaux, Dixie Ranger Quartette, Billy Ward and Montrose Douglass comprise our olio.

It is useless to make special mention of these, because their ability is too well known. We have played to unlimited business everywhere, although we faced inclement weather in Ohio and other opposition. The ghost walks every week, never once failing since the opening.

James Crosby, the former stage manager, who launched the show on its maiden voyage and was away from us awhile, has resumed his original position, and this reminds us of the happy past. Ed F. Peat is holding his own, returning to the footlights three or four times each performance. Tom M. Seldorn has made a very successful record as interlocutor. James Crosby is holding his hard-earned reputation as a comedian, being considered by his hearers as one of those who fill the foremostr rank of Negro comedians, being also a vocalist of great musical power, receiving special mention from the press in almost every city wherein he appears, for his rendition of "If Your Heart Is Right, You Can't Do Me No Wrong." Randolph Chrisman and Manzie Campbell, during our lay-off, took advantage of the opportunity and visited their parents in Chicago. After the first performance, Nap Black stood back, looked the company over, then said, "Boys, she's a plum good one. Our manager, H. D. Collins, has labored with untiring efforts to bring the show up to its present standard, which he claims lives up to the reputation of being the best colored minstrel show, bar none, in the world.

FOR THEATER GOERS.

For Women.

Be laet—better late than ever early.

Rustle your silks as you pass down the aisle. This will divert the attention of those in the house from the players in the calcium spot to yourself.

When you arrive at your row, look freezingly on the poor chumps intent on the play.

When the poor chumps get up to let you in, squeeze past them in such a manner that the aigrettes on your hat tickle their noses and set them sneezing. If they apologize to you for being in the way, you need not accept the apology.

When you have reached your seat, remain standing until you have taken off your wraps—no hurry.

You need not necessarily remove your hat until you are requested to do so by the usher.

Try to interest the woman next to you on the topic of domestic help, and if you know what's coming in the play, for goodness sake tell her. She's anxious to know.

Whisper loudly enough so that everybody near you may hear.

Leave your seat five or ten minutes before the curtain goes down on the last act. This will obviate having to go out with the crowd.

For Men.

Throw away your seat check. This always furnishes diversion for those near you in case there is any dispute about your seat.

Don't get up to take off your overcoat until about the middle of the first act.

Go out between the acts, not necessarily for liquid refreshments, but merely as an evidence of man's privilege.

Sit with your knees in the back of the party in front of you. Do be comfortable.

If an opera, hum the airs with the orchestra, so that those near by will know that you are a blase, hardened old theater-goer.

Look bored during the best parts of the performance and render the audible verdict from time to time that the show is "rotten." Folks will then begin to think that you are a dramatic critic.

Never applaud. Actors do not like to hear applause—it annoys them.—Boston Post.

MARSHALL'S PLANTATION CO.

Mrs. Vida Williams was presented with a big, fine baby boy Thursday, May 14. They will join her husband, Webster Williams, in a few days. He is now stage manager for Marshall's Old Plantation show. The show had a week's rest at Spartanburg, S. C., and started again May 25 at Yorksville, S. C. Business a little dull, but the boys were glad to have a little rest, as they have been working very hard.

Prof. Mikell's Cabbage Band is cleaning up everywhere.

Sam Loyd is figuring out the piano keys with great wonder.

Amos Gilliard is a wonder, and who don't know that about the black Adonis.

The girls with the show are handling themselves in great shape. Every one keeps her eyes open, as there is going to be some talk pretty soon as to which is the best of the bunch. They are all working hard.

Wise and Williams are doing their best.

Little Rastus is getting better and better with his foot notes.

Mr. Marshall, our worthy manager, said he guessed that everybody thought the show was gone, but he was just studying a plan how and which way to go to get the money right, as he wants the ghost to walk every Saturday night after the last act. Regards to all performers.

DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS.

Sunday, the 24th inst., was a gala day with the Dandy Dixie Minstrel Co., which played at Hammond, Ind. Early Sunday morning a number of professional persons, among whom were Mr. Chrisman, brother to R. H. Chrisman; L. Crosby, adopted brother of the well-known James Crosby, the exalted chief of the Green River Social Club; Augustus Stevens, and the mother, grandmother and step-father of Manzie Campbell, begun to arrive. Many of the guests partook of a splendid repast at the lunch hour. Bennie Jones also swelled the number, arriving in time to be invited to the festive board, whereupon our eminent chef, H. S. Wooten, sung that familiar coon song, "Just Help Yourself." Bennie did not fail to do so, and had to be assisted from the table by the aid of an impromptu derrick (?). J. A. Watts and James Lacy, the well-known bandmaster, surprised us with a visit.

The members of the company enjoy good health. Our new after-piece, which Stage Manager Crosby has just finished, is being rehearsed by the characters, and he promises to offer it to the public for criticism next week.

NEW THEATER AT CAIRO, ILL.

Charles Powers has started work on his new theater, which will be built for colored people. He is putting in a stage 50x36, exquisite scenery, and will have a seating capacity of 1,000 persons. This building is centrally located, and, when finished, will be one of the most attractive colored theaters in the United States. He is going to put on high-class vaudeville, giving his patrons the best colored talent obtainable. One of the leading features of this theater will be the music, which will be under the direction of Prof. W. A. Kelly, of Pittsburg, Pa., who has already gone from Pittsburg to Cairo, taking with him an orchestra of the best musicians in Pittsburg. Prof. Kelly is one of our leading colored composers of music, writing a number of high-class pieces, among which was the great sacred song, "Only a Dream of That Beautiful City." Prof. Kelly will take care of his end of the work and help Mr. Powers to make his theater one of the most attractive in the country.

HOW ART PUBLISHERS INSULT THE NEGRO RACE.

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

The International Art Publishing Company, of New York, London and Berlin, has again rushed its lavish oversupply of art pictures, in caricature, through the Union News Company. This company has not only insulted the colored people grossly in America, but has carried the insult to England and Germany. In a series of picture books, issued for the holidays, a large red book bearing the name "Ten Little Niggers," with ten hideous heads printed on a large figure "10," marks the frontispiece of the outside cover of a ten-page book that sells for 25 cents. It must be very painful to the real highly respected white people of this Nation, who strive to preserve the honor of the country, to see a rich international corporation of men branding the worst treated, but most loyal, race of people in America, by publishing a book on "niggers." This book, which has been published for children, an inoculation which must weigh heavily on the minds of the publishers, is, verily I say, the most outrageous breach of Christian propriety and human kindness ever recorded in the literary annals of a so-called intelligent, civilized land.

First, after the last stages of barbarity had been voted below the Southern boundary line, the North, the intellectual North, supposed to be able to teach the universe, gradually grew ashamed of the word "nigger" in songs. All the decent music publishers discarded it and the field of comic music grew better.

Secondly, to all the Nation's sorrow, the Dixon books invaded the North, and later a Dixon play unexpectedly miscarried in the South; the best class of white people of the South, who are really the best hearted people of the Nation, had become too much insulted.

All these things incited new sentiments of disgrace, which keeps the common, ignorant, prejudiced element of the white race supplied with wicked notions. But the eyes of the blind will soon be opened, for the Negro of this country must rise to tell the white people of the wrongs they are doing and that a just God is watching over them to bless, or even curse them. We know not. We only know that He is waiting as the Great Judge to admonish us with His merciful judgment before the next calamity or war. Then, when war comes, if the black man is again willing, as he has always been, he will suffer with those who have wronged him and nurse those who would otherwise see his face banished from their presence. Now let us turn page by page and go through a book that teaches all the little white children in this land, and lands across the sea, that all black people, because their skin is black, are looked upon as "niggers." This unkindly worded, but beautifully illustrated book, the work of Vernon Barrett, an artist, who is equally condemned with the publishers, shows its niggers off in green and red suits, with opera hats to match, as never yet seen in real life style. After each degrading verse of poetry, a chorus set to music, is the song of all the nigger boys drawn by Vernon Barrett. When half through the book we come to a place of law, the court of cahncery. This is intended for a burlesque on a Negro's rights. The verse reads as follows:

Five little nigger boys
Going in for law;
One got in chancery,
And then there were four.

Then there is another illustration where the boys play with a beehive and one gets badly stung. This sting to the colored race of America is great, coming, as it does, from a hive of white stinging bees, in the sight of God without protection. How true those pictures are! One can hardly realize how true they seemed to me. Next, again we have another burlesque on the color line:

Two little nigger boys sitting in the sun,
One got frizzled up and then there was one.

So, you see, everything tends to debase the black man, either on his color or infringement upon his rights.

Here is one more:

This little couple who dwelled by the shore
Soon raised a family of ten niggers more.

This last verse is ascribed to a young married couple on a honeymoon tour. It is, as any fair-minded man can see, intended as a slandering rebuke to the black man for bringing nature's children into the world through God who sent them. Now, in conclusion, would it not be wise to say to the International Publishing Company of New York, London and Berlin: "We come not to chide you or disgrace you. You have already disgraced yourselves. And because you are spreading race hatred of the black man over the hills at home and far across the ocean wide, which could bury your unthankful literature deep in its fathoms below, before you land, to breed the dread disease of American color caste abroad, color that will never rub off while the Creator of all mankind shall see fit to color us all to His own liking, why, then, do you men, who are only here for a few days, seek to defy your Maker and die in misery before your time comes Does it not appear to you in your slumbers when your brain is parched with the cares of a hellish business that bleeds the soul at night and worries the conscience by day, that you are reaping the full potion of sin you have sown?"

And yet with all—all that is said in vain—they heed not, these heathen-like men of worldly riches, gained luxuriously by the depraving qualities of a low art scholar and the villainy of a mean sculptor's hnad. Verily, again, it may be said that public sentiment against this sort of insult is becoming great, and its contagion is like yellow fever.

The brave Irish have always contended for the legitimacy of their race preservation and equal rights, in this particular free country, ever since they landed, even if most of them do not want to grant others the same privilege, and the Negro must contend and fight as the Irish do. But let us all be square with one another. We must all confide in the Great Judge, and owe it to our Christian duty to prepare on earth for the reception of a happier place, where we were wont to be together, hereafter.

DALLAS, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The commencement exercises will be held at Fair Park Auditorium this year. What will the young school boys and girls do during this vacation, is the puzzling question of the many....The Merry Widows Club is gaining much attention among the young people of the metropolis. This club stands for business and pleasure combined....The untiring efforts of Mr. E. D. Wilborn, one of the favorite K. of P.'s, are bringing good results to Pythianism in, this city....The Linhurst Social Club will banquet the graduates of the '08 class....The closing of the many country schools brings many teachers to the city for their vacation and summer normal work....When will our merchants learn to offer special bargains for cash to the Negro customers on certain days, as the white merchants do? Let every Negro merchant get busy....Elijah Harris is the foreman at Griffin's shining stand and news headquarters, where the many patrons, white and colored, call each week and get this paper to read....The Library Association Reading Club was received and entertained at the home of Mrs. Kittie Terrell Friday night of last week....The Business League is stirring the young people in all parts of the city at its meetings. They invite every young man and woman in business and those who encourage Negro businesses to meet with them every Friday night, to hear and help discuss subjects of vital importance to every Negro in the city....Mrs. Martha Jackson, on Aiken street, who got hurt on a street car, is much improved....Mrs. L. Kyles is up, after a four weeks' illness....Mrs. William Griffin has opened a first-class cafe on Central avenue....Mrs. Minnie Brooks, formerly of St. Louis, Mo., is at the home of her parents on Convent street. ....We have colored police in Dallas, created by the School Board recently elected.

CLEVELAND GIANTS WIN.

CLEVELAND, O.—The Cleveland Giants, of the Ohio State Colored League, won two games from the Springfield, O., Elks, at League Park, score 9 to 1 and 4 to 2, when the season of the Ohio State Colored League was opened. Both teams hit the ball hard at times. Sloan pitched good ball for the local team in the first game. In the second game Garrison had the visitors on his staff. Park, of Cleveland, was the batting star of the double header. Gilkerson played good ball at second base. The game was devoid of rowdyism and both teams played hard to win.

First game:

CLEVELAND GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Johnson, 3b	1	1	1	1	0
Gilkerson, 2b	1	0	2	6	0
Parks, c. f.	2	5	2	0	1
Ford, 1b	0	1	12	0	0
Nelson, c.	1	1	5	0	0
Bowman, s. s.	2	2	1	4	0
Turner, l. f.	1	2	2	0	0
Sloan, p.	1	1	2	6	2
Glover, r. f.	0	1	0	0	0
Totals	9	14	27	17	3

SPRINGFIELD ELKS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Harris, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Burton, l. f.	1	1	0	1	0
Mayo, 1b.	0	0	9	0	1
Pierce, 3b.	0	2	3	0	0
Leggons, 2b.	0	3	2	1	2
Nelson, s. s.	0	1	0	3	0
Steward, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Richman, c.	0	1	8	3	1
Frazer, p.	0	1	2	5	0
Totals	1	9	24	13	4

Score by innings:

C. Giants.....1 1 0 0 1 2 3 1 *—9 14 3
Springfield ...1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—1 9 4

Two-base Hits—Bowman, Glover.
Three-base Hits—Park (3).
Sacrifice Hits—Gilkerson, Turner.
Stolen Bases—Richman, Leggons, Johnson, Gilkerson (2).
Bases on Balls—Off Sloan, 1; off Frazer, 2.
Hit by Pitcher—Harris, Gilkerson.
Left on Bases—Cleveland, 7; Springfield, 12.
Struck Out—By Sloan, 5; by Farzer, 7.
Double Play—Frazer to Mayo.
Umpire—Abram.
Attendance—565.

Second game:

CLEVELAND GIANTS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Johnson, 3b	1	3	2	0	1
Gilkerson, 2b	1	1	4	5	0
Parks, c. f.	1	1	3	0	0
Ford, 1b	0	1	7	0	0
Fallis, c.	1	0	11	2	1
Bowman, s. s.	0	1	0	1	2
Turner, l. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Garrison, p.	0	0	0	1	1
Nelson, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	4	7	27	9	5

SPRINGFIELD ELKS.

	R.	H.	O.	A.	E.
Harris, 3b	1	1	1	1	2
Burton, l. f.	1	1	1	0	0
Andrews, s. s.	0	0	5	3	2
Steward, 1b	0	1	6	2	0
Pierce, c.	0	1	6	3	0
Leggons, 2b.	0	1	5	5	0
Ayres, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Nelson, c. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Smith, p.	0	1	0	2	0
Totals	2	6	24	16	4

Score by innings:

Cleveland .....3 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 *—4 7 5
Springfield ....1 0 0 1 0 0 0 0 0—2 6 4

Two-base Hits—Johnson (2), Burton.
Three-base Hit—Pierce.
Sacrifice Hit—Gilkerson.
Stolen Bases—Harris, Bowman, Gilkerson, Fallis.
Hit by Pitcher—Garrison.
Left on Bases—Cleveland, 3; Springfield, 5.
Struck Out—By Garrison, 11; by Smith, 2.
Double Play—Steward to Andrews to Leggons.
Umpire—Abrams.

Cleve. Giants...0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0—2 4 3
Col. Giants.....1 0 0 0 0 0 3 0 0—4 4 3
Batteries—Sloan and Fallis; Wade and Pierce.

Double header—First game:
Cle. G.'s.1 2 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0 0 1—5 6 2
Col. G.'s.0 3 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0—4 5 2
Batteries—Garrison and Nelson; Reed and Banks.

Second game:
Cleveland Giants.......0 0 1 0 0—1 3 2
Columbus Giants.........0 0 0 0 0—0 1 2
Batteries—Parks and Fallis; Seldon and Pierce. Umpire—Abrams.

PADUCAH, KY.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Church Directory of the Washington Street Baptist Church: Rev. V. S. Smith, D. D., pastor, Paducah, Ky. Sunday school at 9:30 a. m.; preaching, 11 a. m. and 8 p. m.; B. Y. P. U., 3 p. m.; prayer meeting, Thursday evening, from 7:30 to 9; choir practice, Friday evenings; board meetings, third Wednesday in each month; church meetings, third Thursday of each month. Board of Deacons—G. Reeves, James Owens, T. J. Milan, J. W. Clark, O. White, T. Williams, J. Wilson, W. Hayes, H. Daniels, L. Woods, R. Matchum. Choir—Dr. C. A. Isbell, chorister; Mrs. S. V. Lowery, organist. Board of Trustees—James Owens, A. W. Watkins, T. J. Milan, G. Reeves, Robert Matchum. J. Williams, church clerk.

The baccalaureate sermon will be preached at 11 a. m. by Rev. W. S. Baker, Sunday, May 31, at the A. M. E. Chruch. ....Mrs. D. K. Avant is some better, after an operation on last Wednesday morning at the River Side Hospital....Miss Corene Caruthers is on the sick list....Sunday marked the closing of the third quarterly meeting at C. M. E. Church. The Rev. G. W. Robinson preached the sacramental sermon....The installation of officers of the Daughters of Zion took place Monday night, May 24, at their hall on Eighth street....Mrs. Minnie Given, of 412 North Twelfth street, stuck a nail in her foot, which will lay her up for several days....Mrs. J. O. Griffin has returned from Cairo, Ill., where she has been attending school for the last ten months.... Miss Maggie Bailey and Nepper Neburn had great success in their concert....Miss Amanda Frorice has returned to her home in Milford, Ky., after visiting Miss Beatrice Reeves....Rev. J. O. Griffin and M. C. Jones left Monday for Providence, Ky., to represent the Sunday school....Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hopson, of Joppa, Ill., visited the latter's mother, Mrs. Henrietta Brown, last week....Miss Lydia Mae Leath is ill....W. M. Davis made a trip to Oak Sunday....Mrs. A. C. Lindsay is illwith malaria....Robert Howard, of Chicago, is visiting his mother this week. ....The old soldiers will have their annual sermon June 6, at Washington street Baptist Church....M. T. Lodge, of Brookport, Ill., visited Paducah Lodge No. 29. ....Miss Susie Hankin, of Cairo, Ill., is the guest of Mrs. Louisa Thomas....Get THE FREEMAN at 707 Tenth street. J. A. Lindsey, agent.

JACKSONVILLE, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Domestic Social Club met recently with Mrs. Samuel Bolden. The election of officers was also held. Those who assisted in entertaining were Mrs. Mattie Jackson, Mrs. N. J. Blue, Mrs. James Brown and Mrs. Samuel Bolden. Rev. Dr. Henderson made an address....Miss Henrietta King, of Springfield, Ill., was the guest recently of Mrs. Ovenia Hyatt, of 611 S. West street....Howard Underwood, of South Ebey street, has just recovered from an attack of mumps.... Lida Jackson, of St. Louis, Mo., died recently. She was well known in this city, and was the daughter of Mr. Wm. Moxley....The Odd Fellows' sermon was preached May 17, at the Bethel A. M. E. Church, and was largely attended. Rev. Henderson preached the sermon, which was very interesting and closely listened to. Many Odd Fellows of Springfield, Ill., attended the services....Ruth Damons is doing some nice work in music....Julia Berry is still very ill, also Ocy Seymour. ....Mrs. Clara Edwards and Mrs. Herend are slowly recovering from their illness. ....Gladys, the two-year-old child of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Stone, died recently, on Myrtle street, of pneumonia. The funeral services were in charge of Rev. J. W. Kirk. There were many beautiful flowers, and music was furnished by the choir. Interment was in East Cemetery....The funeral services of George Coen were held May 20 at the Bethel A. M. E. Church, and the services were in charge of Rev. Goff. There was a large audience present and music was furnished by the choir. He was a member of the Memorial Union Church, in St. Louis, Mo., and also a member of the K. of P. The K. of P.'s were in attendance. He leaves two brothers and a sister and many friends. Interment took place in East Cemetery....The janitors elected for the school year are as follows: Ellis Moore, Fourth ward; John Blue, Third ward; Samuel Abbington, Third ward Branch Morton School.... Mrs. Lynch, of South West street, is visiting Mrs. Nora Gaines, of Petersburg, Ill. ....The little child of Mr. and Mrs. William Cooper, of South Clay avenue, is quite ill....Mrs. James Redding was on the sick list last week....Mrs. Clara Edwards left recently for Paris, Mo....Mrs. Alice Dabney, who has been visiting in Bloomington, Ill., has returned home.... Mrs. Annie Carpenter Brown is quite ill. ....Claude Richardson, who has been quite ill, is able to be up....Harvey Naull is getting along nicely with his music.... Mrs. Guy Washington is able to be out, after an attack of tonsilitis....Freddie Davis does not seem to improve much.... Mrs. Mary Myers and Mrs. Frank Myers were St. Louis visitors last Sunday.

MINEOLA, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

A. H. White, a member of the 24th Inf., was at Ft. Bayard last week on account of ill health....George Franklin, a porter on the F. P. road, is all....The wife of Andrew Davis died here May 22....The Benton family, of Greenville, was in the city last week....Rev. Brooks has opened a grocery store.

ROUTE.

DANDY DIXIE MINSTRELS—South Haven, Mich., June 1; Battle Creek, 2; Jackson, 3; Pontiac, 4.

BARNUM & BAILEY CIRCUS—Lynn, Mass., June 1; Salem, 2; Lowell, 3; Manchester, 4; Worcester, 5; Woonsocket, 6.

THE BUTTONS—New York City, N. Y., June 1 to 6.

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THE FREEMAN POSTOFFICE

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Clark, James B. H.
Cloyd, Hattie.
Davis, Tom W.
Edwards, Johnny.
Gilliard, Amos.
Harris, James A.
Hallback, Wm.
Levard, Wm. A.
Miller, Calvin.
McCabe, Wm.
Mullen, McW. L.
Perry and Crosby.
Quinn, Andrew.
Robert Brown.
Smith, Andrew.
The Jolly Prices.
Thomases, The.
Talber, John.
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SHORT FLIGHTS.

BY R. W. THOMPSON.

A WIZARD.

To some men this world seems a commonplace spot,
With nothing that's novel or striking.
The men and the objects it offers are not
In any respect to his liking.
There's only one cure for such people as he—
We must open his mind and enthuse it
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Leaves nobody doubtful or lonely;
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—Washington Star.

Success requires no explanation. Therefore, succeed!

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Many a good cause has been injured by the intemperate zeal or narrow-minded advocates.

There is a tremendous advantage in suffrage—if a man knows how to use it scientifically.

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If you have money it's "appendicitis." If you haven't—well, you know what your affliction will be called.

Caleb Powers should be pardoned by the "powers" that control affairs in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.

Candidates for office would win oftener itfhey could more accurately measure the amount of water they draw.

A Washington wag says: "The DuBois-Hershay-Murray 'Horizon' is fittingly named. It is eternally in the air."

There is one very pleasing reflection anent the "Merry Widow" hats. They are bound to go out of style some time.

No one has remembered to charge that Colonel Stewart was exiled to that abandoned Arizona fort because of his color.

People afflicted with political and personal strabismus cannot distinguish the difference between a "reporter" and an "advocate."

San Juan Hill played a conspicuous part in the campaigns of 1900 and 1904. Will the seat of war be removed to Brownsville this year?

Put vagrants in the work house. If healthy men insist upon living upon the wages of women, give them a chance to work for the county or State.

Up to date, no photograph of Col. Giles B. Jackson "toting" the Nebro building of the Jamestown Exposition to Richmond has been placed on the curio market.

Bishop Smith, commenting on the activities of the Zion conference at Philadelphia, intimates that "the standing candidates will soon take seats."

Women would be more popular as lodgers if they evinced a larger degree of consideration for the feelings of the folks when they desire to accommodate them.

Intelligent, self-respecting colored men and conservative, high-grade white men have interests in comon, and they should elnegct no opportunity to get together and to stay together.

Arkansas will never be able to take her place in the Senate on equal terms with her sister States until she retires the unspeakable Jeff Davis and sends a gentleman in his stead.

The stock of the Negro race would go up a hundred points a day if he would put in as much time and expend as much energy preparing ourselves to do the things that are open to us.

Colored business men stand in their own light by their failure to properly advertise their wares. Advertising is not an expenses; it is as much a part of the investment as the stock on the shelves.

The Brownsville case is essentially a judicial question and should have been settled on purely judicial lines. It is unfortunate for everybody concerned that it got twisted into a political issue.

It looks as if those in charge of the dispatches touching the recent trouble in Haiti went away 'round Robin Hood's barn to avoid giving prominence to the name of Minister Henry W. Furniss, of Indiana.

It will be interesting if not entertaining to the A. M. E. delegates in session at Norfolk to learn that one Arthur Smith, of Newport News, Va., just across the bay, cut the throat of a young woman a few days ago because she called him a Methodist.

The cordiality of the reception that Norfolk is giving the A. M. E. General Conference is calculated to make the Jamestown Exposition aggregation to think some thoughts and institute some comparisons that might prove odious—if expressed.

The stock of the Negro race would go up one hundred points a day if we would put in half as much time and energy in preparing ourselves to take advantage of the opportunities that lie in our wake, as in complaining about the things that are denied us.

While the press bureaus of the colored annex of the "Allies" are circulating "all lies" about the movements of Auditor Ralph W. Tyler, that eminent Ohioan simply smiles, sticks to the business of his office, and glances serenely at the column of figures marked "Instructed for Taft."

A score or more of the members of a diocesan council in Texas were stricken with ptomaine poisoning as a result of eating a church luncheon served by the sisters. And the patrons of the free lunch in the rathskellers continue to go unscathed! "'Tis a mad world, my masters!"

As Dr. H. B. Parks, a leading candidate for the A. M. E. Bishopric, was born in Georgia, lives in New York, and represents a western conference, all elements at interest ought to be satisfied to have hi melected.
Why not "Taft and Fairbanks."

Judge Gray is worried because of a fear that some private individual may be alloweed to receive a larger salary than the President of the United States. Our colored editors are too far removed from the danger line to share any of the anxiety that appears to beset the learned Delaware jurist.

Secretary Taft and Recorder John C. Dancy have one significant point of resemblance; both are of the same age, fifty-one years. If anybody has been under the impression that Mr. Dancy is older than the age he confesses to, it may be because of the fact that he began life when very young.

Is there another run in Judge Parker? Anti-Bryanites will please write.
A floating paragraph says that Packy McFarland has been "hurling challenges" at Joe Gans. When the Old Master gets a chance to "hurl" his "terrible right" into Packy's slats the Chicago Irishman will be anxious to get out of the "hurling" business.

Congress should not fail to appropriate that $100,000 asked for the establishment of a National Training and Industrial Institute for the relief of Washington's 100,000 Negro population. The citizenship of the District would improve 50 per cent. in industry, morals and economic efficiency if the thousands of idel boys and girls could be taught to "do things" in the best possible way.

Things are coming to a pretty pass at Brownsville, Ga., when a white man narrowly escapes lynching for being found late at night in the house of a Negro woman. But for the active intervention of armed policemen the white exponent of "social equality" would have made no secret of their resentment of such familiarity on the part of the Caucasian interloper.

Chicago is the cradle of great surgeons, as far as the Negro is concerned. Drs. A. M. Curtis, aDniel H. Williams and George C. Hall, conceded to be the race's "Big Three" in surgery and expert hospital work, all won their spurs in the city-by-the-lake. Their reputation is not only national, but international, in scope, and they never fail to "make good;" no matter how difficult, delicate or dangerous the operation.

In order to comply with the law requiring equality between the races in the matter of accommodations, the Nashville, Chattanooga and St. Louis railroad has removed the soap and towels from the toilet rooms on its trains. As no serious complaints have been filed by the white passengers on account of this despoliation of their previously enjoyed privileges, it is fair to assume that they have not missed the aforesaid soap and towels.

Three notable cases in a single week of beautiful white women of the best Virginia stock—the "F. F. V.'s, if you please—becoming infatuated with good-looking Negro men, and two instances where white men of recognized standing married Negro women of quality, would seem to indicate that love laughs at color-lines and antiquated traditions as well as at locksmiths. Legislative edits and race prejudices are alike powerless when oposed by the law of natural selection.

Bishop Brent's election is looked upon as a God-send to the colored Episcopalians. His large experience and close contact with the darker race render him especially fit to handle the problems that will confront him in Washington, where the Negro represents one-third of the population and where the missionary field is particularly ripe because of the conditions under which they are compelled to live. The Filipinoes so loved him that they called him "Our Bishop." Washington Negroes will adopt him in similar fashion.

We do not often agree with Ben Tillman on any issue, but when he urges that drastic steps be taken to lessen vagrancy among the colored people of the national capital, we are compelled to say "Amen!" An able-bodied man who will not work, when work is offered to him, does not deserve to be at liberty. It is not that a black loafer is any worse than a white loafer, but since the worthy Negroes are held responsible for their unworthy brethren, we are anxious to have the blot removed from our 'scutcheon, cost what it may.

Although 271 votes were polled in favor of a colored bishop at the Los Angeles general conference of teh M. E. Church, the situation does not look bright for the election of a colored prelate at the present session in Baltimore, unless the friends of Drs. J. W. E. Bowen and M. C. B. Mason effect a combination that will unite their forces on one or the other of these able divines. Some long-headed delegates are suggesting that a home district be carved out in congenial territory and given to Bishop I. B. Scott, missionary bishop for Africa.

WELCOME TO DELEGATES.

Chicago Preparing to Receive Convention Visitors with Open Arms

CHICAGO, Ill., May 20.—The colored men of this city are preparing to give the colored delegates anad visitors to the Republican National convention the greatest time ever given to colored delegates and visitors to any previous National convention. Unquestionably, however, the most beautiful and enjoyable affair to be given during the week of the convention—and possibly the most brilliant affair ever given in Chicago for the social entertainment of the race—will be the band concert and full-dress reception tendered by the officers and men of the Eighth Illinois Regiment on Thursday evening, June 18. This is the crack regiment that, with Col. John R. Marshall in command, went to Cuba during the Spanish-American war, and rendered service that won the highest encomiums at the hands of the United States government. It is the only colored regiment maintained by any State in the Union, and is regarded as one of the finest drilled, most capably officered and best disciplined regiments in the country. The First Regiment Armory, probably the largest armory in the world, has been engaged for the occasion.

It is also planned to have an exhibition drill by the regiment, so that the visitors from the North, South, East and West may see what Chicago and the State of Illinois have in the shape of Negro soldiers. It may be added that the Eighth is the only regiment in the land officered from colonel to corporal by colored men, and it will be a matter of much pleasure and deep interest to all to see them in action.

The officers in full regimentals, beautifully gowned women and distinguished colored men from every State in the Union, in full evening dress, will make this function one that will go down in history as the greatest and handsomest reception ever given among colored men and women in this country. It will take on truly National proportions, and the ladies are fairly on tiptoe of expectancy in anticipation of its brilliancy.

It is the desire of the officers and members of the regiment that every delegate and alternate delegate to the convention receive an invitation, and it is requested by the management that all delegates and alternates send their name and address at once to Col. John R. Marshall, 3630 Calumet avenue, Chicago, Ill., to insure their receiving an invitation.

PARIS, ILL.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Mrs. J. H. Lyons, of Chicago, is visiting Mrs. Paris Thomas....The drama, "Out in the Street," under the management of Mrs. Laura Thomas, will be presented at the Second Baptist Church, May 29.... Emmet Parker has returned to the city, after spending a few days in Evansville. ....George A. Harrison, patternmaker for the McGuire-Cummins Street Car Manufacturing Company, has sent for another colored boy to become an apprentice in pattern making....Thomas Butler, one of the court house employes, is on the sick list....Mrs. Hattie Dinnington, of Indianapolis, spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Tude Banner....Mrs. Ernest Evans spent a few days with her husband, who has several large contracts in the oil fields at Robinson, Ill....Miss Pearl Mitchell was given a lawn surprise by her friends, Sunday, in honor of her sixteenth birthday. She received a handsome heart-shaped locket, studded with six diamonds....Robert Taylor has sold his trotting mare, Evelyn Thaw, as she turned out a Jonah from the first day she got that name.

PIQUA, OHIO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Cyrene A. M. E. Church is rallying to pay the last indebtedness of $2,000, and the church is divided into companies. Company B, Miss Catherine Bailey, captain, gave a concert at St. George Hall, May 14. Every one played his part exceptionally well. Those playing the leading roles were: Arthur Smith, Mr. Holloway, Mrs. Leslie Evans, Mrs. Edna Smith and Miss Ethel Kendall. They would do credit to any play house. A. B. Brown, in his comic sketches, and Mrs. John Jackson, in her skillful management, deserve great credit. Quite a handsome sum was realized....The quarterly conference will convene at Cyrene A. M. E. Church, with the presiding elder, Dr. Gilmere, in charge....James Redman is doing a land office business in the tailoring trade....Col. Daniel Meyers has gained quite a reputation as a paperhanger.

INKLINGS OF INK SLINGERS.

The National Afro-American Press Association is to meet this year, so says President Cyrus Field Adams.

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P. J. E. Aggrey and J. W. Poe, at Philadelphia, and Charles Stewart and J. G. Robinson, at Norfolk, did some gilt-edged reportorial work for the General Conferences.

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Sergeant Frederick A. Robinson, the only colored member of the police force of Cambridge, Mass., recently celebrated the twenty-fourth anniversary of his service on the force and the fourth anniversary of his service as a sergeant.

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Thomas J. Calloway's new book "The Rise of a People," being a story of race progress as told through the Negro exhibit at Jamestown and carefully selected data touching the general history of the race, will be placed on the market at an early date.

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The Florida Sentinel, the leading race journal of the Gulf section of the South, has a new perfecting press. Editor M. M. Lewey has a printing plant that will compare favorably with any of his white contemporaries in the picturesque city of Pensacola.

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Prof. John Henry Adams has resigned as editor of the American Citizen and plans to go to Paris to study art under Henry O. Tanner, the eminent Negro artist. Prof. Adams is one of the brightest young men of the race, and with his native ability is sure to make a mark as an artist.

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The "National Protest" is a new one, published at St. Joseph, Mo. The staff of the Protest is announced as follows: Editor, Dr. M. O. Ricketts, Grand Master of Masons of the Missouri Jurisdiction; business manager, W. A. Hill, assisted by W. H. Whitsey and M. Harris. This is a strong combination.

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The Boston Guardian and Cambridge Mirror is to be the company on the tempestuous sea of journalism. The new launch is the Cambridge Advocate, published by a stock company, with Rev. J. U. Gummins, president, and Mr. G. Monroe, vice president. J. W. Springer is editor and William Grandison is business manager.

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"Ned, Nigger and Gentleman," is the title of a new story of the civil war and reconstruction days by Norman G. Kittrell, judge of the sixty-first judicial district of Texas. As a peculiar contribution to the literature of the period covered, discussing customs, traditions and problems with a strong Southern White man's flavor, the book will be found interesting, if not entirely agreeable. The Neale Publishing Company, New York and Washington, are its sponsors.

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Mr. John H. Paynter, of the Navy Department at Washington, author of a unique recital of experiences on the high seas, entitled "Joining the Navy," is hard at work on two other literary productions, which he hopes to publish during the year. They deal largely with the folk-lore of ante-bellum days and are designed to preserve in permanent form some incident of slavery that have come to him through personal interviews with men and women direct from the plantations and kitchens of the South.

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The tenth annual meeting of the Negro Editors Press Association will hold its session in Des Moines, Iowa, June 10 and 11, as decided by the executive committee. There will be gathered there some of the leading editors, reporters and newspaper men of our race. The geenral committee are working very hard to put on a good program those two days, and each hour wil be of interest and profit to both visitors and the association. Address all letters of inquiry to John L. Thompson, vice president, editor of the Bystander, Des Moines, Iowa.

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The thrilling story, "The Love That Could Not Sin," from the versatile and polished pen of Auditor Ralph W. Tyler, now approaching its fourth installment in the Colored American Magazine, is being read by Washington literateurs with absorbing interest. The language is classic, the thought is full of fine philosophy, and the sentiment is beautiful and inspiring. The theme, dealing with a romance of Arabia, is virgin soil for a Negro author, but that the ground is being ably covered is readily attested by those who are following the tempestuous fortunes of the manly Mohammedan "Prince" and the enchanting "Ayesha" through the mazes of a love that could neither sin nor run smooth. Mr. Tyler's story, truly a poem in prose, is far out of the ordinary in point of merit and style, and should be read by every lover of choice literature.

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The Buxton Gazette, which has been issued from the thriving mining town of Buxton, Iowa, where colored men own more property and are doing more business in proportion to population than in any other place in the country, has enlarged the scope of its operations, added materially to its mechanical plant, and to give it national tone and color, has taken on a special Washington correspondent—the only race paper in the State so happily equipped. Rev. A. L. DeMond is a capable editor—virile, yet conservative in expression of views on the problems of the day, and one who keeps thoroughly abreast with the advanced thought of the nation, regardless of clamor and with the courage that leads the timorous into the light that the mossback spirit of some reactionaries would deny them. The Gazette has made Buxton known to the nation, and her people owe it a loyal support as a merited bit of reciprocity.

ELMIRA, N. Y.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Rev. A. B. Moreton, of Bethel A. M. E. Church, preached a very able sermon Sunday evening, which was largely attended. ....Mrs. Eliza Joyse, of Montour Falls, spent Thursday and Friday in our city, the guest of Mrs. Sara Johnson....The Vaudeville of last week was largely attended, each number being fine. The Ideal Quartette was heard in two numbers. Mr. J. Williams, banjo solo; E. Mae Brown, solo; Madam Whyatt and her school girls; H. B. Brooker, in reading; Mrs. Charlotte Green and Her Honey Boys and Girls; stage struck kids with Bud Butler and L. Satisfield as end men was great. The Elmira Colored Orchestra played throughout the evening....Mrs. A. Gaines is at her home in Andover, N. Y., being called there by the death of her brother, Paul Peterson....The funeral of Mrs. Nancy Adams was held at Douglass-avenue A. M. E. Church on Thursday.... Chas. Hawkins has returned from Syracuse....Geo. Powell is spending some time in Williamsport, Pa....E. L. Butler, Jr., spent Sunday afternoon on East Hill with James Drake, Jr....Miss Amelia Hill entertained the Jolly Six Monday evening....The Pastor's Aid Club of Bethel A. M. E. Church are planning for a series of entertainments in June....Masquerade party of the Jolly Six Tuesday May 19, at Temperance Hall....Mrs. E. Jackson spent "Wed." in Owego, N. Y.... Mrs. J. F. Thompson entertained the school girls on last Friday at her sister's, M. Mae Thompson.

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

Miss Minnie Bruce and Miss Malinda Phifer have returned from Augusta, Ga., where they have been attending Haines' Normal and Industrial Institute. Miss Bruce is a member of the 1908 graduating class....Mrs. L. H. Foster is with her mother, Mrs. Ellen Crawford, after a pleasant stay at Cincninati, Denver and other western points....Mr. Richard Simmons is in East St. Louis, Ill....Anthony Burns died recently after a long illness. ....Mr. and Mrs. Mack Graves, formerly of this city, now of Bessemer, were in the city with friends for a few days....The Three Times Ten Club met on the 25th with Mrs. Emma Baugh....Mrs. L. E. Brown, of Mobile, grand lecturer of the western division, Order of Eastern Star, was in the city for a few days on official duties. Mrs. Brown was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ned Spencer....Mrs. Belinda Goins' school closed on the 20th, at the Masonic Hall, with fine exercises before a large and appreciative audience....The graduating exercises of the colored public schools were held on the evening of the 21st at the First African Baptist Church. The large church was packed long before the hour appointed for the splendid program. The young graduates acquitted themselves admirably. Principal Jeremiah Barnes has cause to be proud of the 1908 class.

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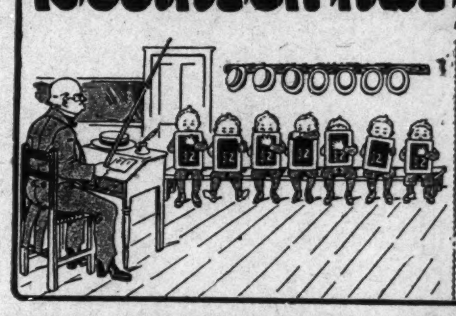

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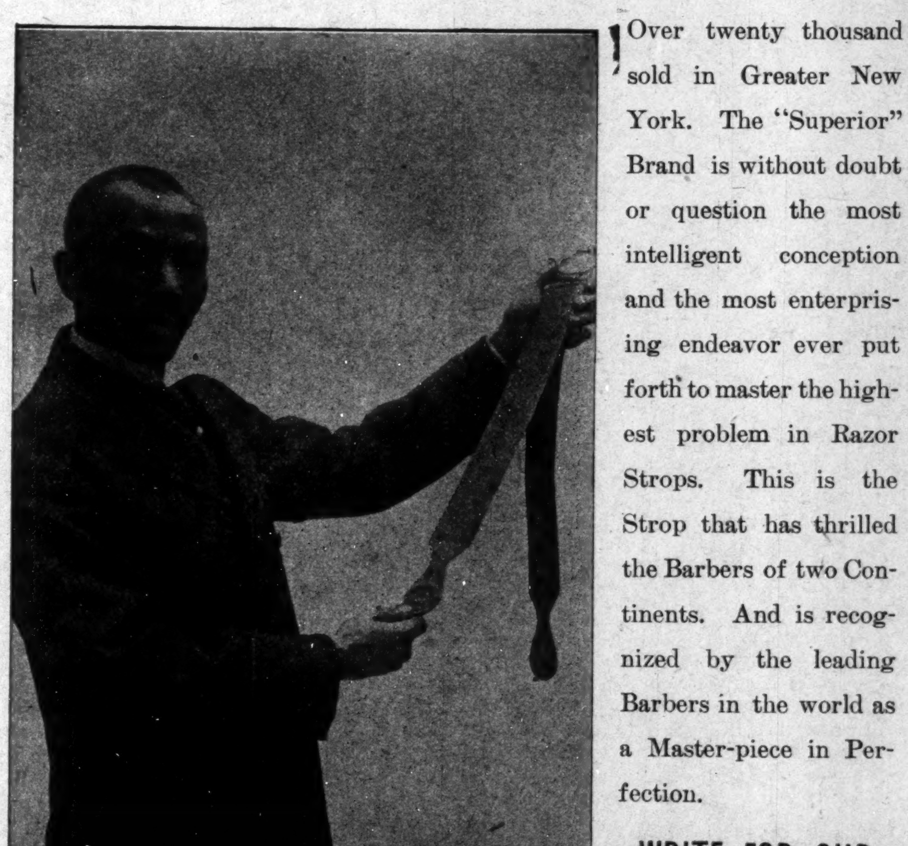

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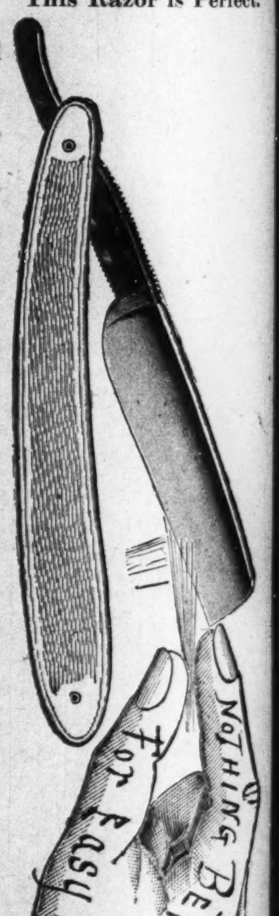

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SPORTING GOSSIP of the WEEK.

[S]EEMS TO BE SOME CHANCE FOR JOHNSON-BURNS BOUT

[G]oldfield Offer May Bring Tommy Into Ring with Jack.

BY JIM RYAN.

Tommy Burns and Jack Johnson seem [to] be nearer a meeting than they ever have been. It is reported on good author[ity] that a club at Goldfield has offered a purse of $35,000 for a forty-five-round [bout] between the men and that the battle will be fought in the near future. The matter has not progressed to the stage of finality, but the promoters seem to mean business.

If the offer came from any other place, probably little attention would be given it. But Goldfield has made good once with a record-breaking purse and without a doubt it can do so again, if it wants to. Therefore, we should know inside of a week whether the offer is bona fide or not. If it is there seems to be nothing in the way of a meeting of these big fellows except cold feet on the part of one or the other.

There has been so much bluffing in the proceedings to date that it is hard to tell who is sidesteeping the match. A great deal of fault has ben found with Burns for his actions in the matter. He is criticised severely by the British public for not fighting on that side of the water, when as a matter of fact he knows that he can get twice as much for fighting Johnson here.

BURNS AFTER THE MONEY.

He si only exercising good business judgment. England was all right as a place to meet the soft ones. No club in this country would hang up a purse of any size to see such men as England produced pitted against Tommy. We want a good match here and are willing to pay for it. Therefore we have offered big purses for the Burns-Johnson affair, which would be a good scrap without a doubt.

I do not believe that this match would prove the attraction that the Gans-Nelson battle was. Burns is not overpopular and would not prove to be the drawing card that Nelson became because the public, or a great part of it, wanted to see the Dane whipped because of dislike of his manager. Johnson is not the attraction the Dane was. The public knew that Gans could fight if he wanted to and believed he wanted to. It does not know that Johnson is a top-notcher scrapper.

JACK GOOD BOXER.

Jack is a great boxer undoubtedly, but he never has done anything to make the folks believe that he is a champion. As I have frequently pointed out, Johnson failed to knock out Marvin Hart and, in fact, lost the decision to him. He has beaten some fair men, but they are men whom Burns can beat. Consequently there would not be much difference in the odds if they were to come together next month.

In a short bout I believe that Johnson would have a good chance to beat Burns, but in a long one it looks to me as though the white man should be the victor. There is one thing that can not be said against Burns, and that is that he is not a game lad. He will take his punishment and keep right along unless Johnson can put him away, and Jack is far from being a hard enough hitter to do that in a few rounds. However, the bout will attract a lot of attention and serve to bring the heavyweights in the limelight once more.

NELSON SIDESTEPS PACKEY.

Battling Nelson seems to have sidestepped Packey McFarland for the time being to take on Joe Gans again. Bat and Joe have signed for a bout at San Francisco on July 4. Gans says the affair will not go over fifteen rounds, and that he will dispose of Nelson in that time.

"This has always been the one match I was after," he said last week, "as L promise the public, if allowed to meet Nelson at my normal weight, 133 pounds stripped, I would knock him out in much shorter time than the Goldfield battle. I now have the match cinched and I can hardly wait until July 4 to demonstrate my superiority over the Battler. The fight will not go over fifteen rounds and may end before that time."

Gans has promised to train faithfully for the bout and will be a hot favorite when they enter the ring. Nelson seems to have gone back while Joe, aparently, is as good as he ever was.

CHAMPION JOE GANS SAID TO BE FAST GOING BLIND

Great Lightweight Apparently Realizes His Long Career is Nearing an End.

DETRIOT, May.—Joe Gans is going blind. The eyesight of the wonderful Negro who for sixteen years has been a mighty figure in the prize ring, is gradually becoming afflicted. He knows it, but laughs heedlessly.

"I can whip any of them doing business now with only one eye, so what's the use of worrying," he maintains.

Harry Tuthill, at present trainer for the Detriot Tigers, who trained "Young Griffo, Corbett, McGovern and many othed famous boxers of note, is authority for the statement that the black champion's eyesight is weakening.

"I met him down East some weeks ago," declares Tuthill, "and noticed that he could not see very well. I commented on it and he admitted that his sight was weak. Gans is pretty well fixed now and he aparently intends to clean up all the money in sight before it becomes too late."

So it is that the first sign of age is shown in this physically wonderful man, who has been the greatest of fighters pass to leave him alone, conqueror of all his class. May 11 he again stepped into the ring to meet Boer Uniholz. He admits frankly that he is out with the idea of making a full sweep of the present crop of lightweights before being forced to give up for good.

Gans is a Wonder.

"Joe Gans is the great wonder of the athletic world today," maintained Tuthill, who has made a lifelong study of fighters. "He has the most remarkable constitution of any athlete I have ever studied and I have seen them all.

"Other men have lasted—not so long as Joe Gans, perhaps, yet almost as long—but they always took care of themselves. Joe Gans never did until recent years. He has gone hungry many and many a day, he has been punished in the ring and he has suffered from every form of illness ordinary mankind suffers from. He has enjoyed himself with every excess money could secure. He has gone through the mill until made wise by age, and still retains all his vitality and strength. He says he could whip any of them now with one eye. Joe could take any of them and beat them with half an eye.

Champion's Fight With Griffio.

"I knew Joe Gans before he started on his remarkable career as a fighter. He knew nothing about the science of the game and he could not hit. He was just a fast young kid. From that he slowly developed until today, barring his eyesight, he is better than he ever was.

"We took Young Griffo to Baltimore when Gans was just attracting notice and put him against the present champion. It was agreed before the fight started that Gans was not to be knocked out. Griffo went at him in his usual style, but just tapped him.

"Is that the way you fought Lavigne?" yelled some one from the gallery.

"No, answered Griffo, 'here is the way I fought him.'

"What followed was as wonderful an exhibition as I have ever witnessed in the prize ring. Griffo tore into Gans with what appeared to be just a storm of blows, but he was so clever that, although every one in the house thought he was dealing the Negro sad punishment, he was hardly tapping him. He was hitting Gans where he wanted to and as often as he wanted to. The crowd in the gallery began yelling to him to hit Gans in certain parts of the body, and he would respond by doing so.

"Spank him", yelled one, and he turned the Negro around and spanked him.

"No fighter but this Griffo could ever have done it, he was the most wonderful of all boxers, bar none. And he could never do it after that. So adept a student was Gans that he learned almost every move Griffo made. That trick Gans has now, for instance, of making a falselead, only to move his head back and let the blow pass his face, was taught him in that battle. The greatest of all boxers he went against and he soon had almost everything Griffo knew by heart. All that lad's wonderful ability to lead and duck, Gans picked up. He did not have it until after that.

"Today he knows everything there is to know about fighting. He is the one great master of the art. In that he has no equal, never did have and I don't think he ever will have. Only age and that failing eyesight can beat him. Fighting is a passion with him, as strong as life itself. Not fighting as it is generally termed. Gans doesn't like 'rough house' fights. Brawls he always sidesteps; he doesn't like to 'mix.' It is the science of the game that holds him, not the joy of giving and taking punishment like the average ringster. He loves the art of breaking down another's defense and making his own impenetrable, just as the great fenser loves to play of the foils.

"Joe has money now and he has learned his lesson. He is keeping it. Don't believe these stories that he is broke, for he isn't. He is making this last campaign, I think, to clean up all he can before he gives up for good."

UNHOLZ RESPECTS GANS.

A Chicago admirer of Packey McFarland sent a telegram to Rudolph Unholz, after Gans defeated him last week, and asked for his impression regarding a fight between McFarland and Gans.

"I don't know whether he liked it," said the Boar, "but I told him that Packey McFarland had said he wanted a year's experience before he fought Gans. I advised him to stretch it to ten."

Unholz was asked:

"Is Gans a has-been?"

The Boer hesitated a moment and said: "I don't think so. Some bumps on my chin tell me differently."

A. B. C.'S AND ATKINS DIVIDE.

Fast Double-Header at Northwestern Park Ends With Honors Even.

In a double-header at Northwestern Park last Sunday the Atkins won the first game, 11 to 8, and the A. B. C.'s won the second contest, 7 to 8. One of the largest crowds of the season saw the games. Ludwig and Cook were too much for the A. B. C.'s in the first contest.

The second struggle was sensational from start to finish. The A. B. C.'s started well and got four runs before the Atkins woke up. In the sixth the Saw Makers had a batting rally and tied the score. The A. B. C.'s took the lead in the eighth, but again the Atkins batsmen got two runs and the score was 6 to 6. With one down, two A. B. C. men got on bases and the two-base hit brought home the winning run. Score:

FIRST GAME.

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Herron, c. f.	1	1	2	0	0
Shawlr, l. f.	1	2	2	0	1
Davis, p.	1	1	1	4	0
Merida, c.	1	2	5	0	0
Allen, 3d b.	1	2	2	3	0
Gatewood, s. s.	0	0	0	2	0
Board, 1st b.	2	0	14	0	0
Washington, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Highbee, 2d b.	0	1	0	2	0
Totals	8	12	27	11	1

Atkins.	R	H	O	A	E
Kenworthy, s. s.	3	0	1	1	0
R. Ludwig, c. f.	1	1	4	0	0
Schissel, 1st b.	2	0	10	1	1
Scanlon, 2d b.	3	2	1	7	0
Bryant, 3d b.	1	2	1	1	0
Dowling, r. f.	1	1	2	0	0
Kiley, l. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Cook, c.	0	0	6	1	0
W. Ludwig, p.	0	0	1	1	0
Totals	11	7	27	12	1

A. B. C.'s.2 0 0 0 1 0 2 2 1— 8
Atkins ...3 4 0 2 0 1 1 0 0—11

Innings pitched—Washington, 2; Davis, 1; Ludwig, 9. Base hits made—Off Washington, 2; off Davis, 5; off Ludwig, 10. Bases on balls—Off Washington, 6; off Davis, 1; off Ludwig, 1. Struck out—By Washington, 3; by Davis, 2; by Ludwig, 4. Hit by pitcher—Schissel. Two-base hits—Reeves, Herron, Shawler, Merida 2, Allen, Bryant, Kiley. Three-base hits—Board, Shawler. Home run—Bryant. Double play—Kenworthy to Scanlon to Schissel. Stolen bases—Davis 2, Higbee 2, Kenworthy, R. Ludwig. Umpire—Adams and Goodman. Attendance—1,200.

SECOND GAME.

A. B. C.'s.	R	H	O	A	E
Reeves, r. f.	0	1	1	0	0
Herron, c. f.	1	0	2	1	0
Shawler, l. f.	0	2	0	0	0
Davis, p-s.	0	2	3	7	0
Merida, c.	2	2	7	0	0
Allen, 3d b.	3	2	1	0	1
Gatewood, s.-2	1	4	1	4	2
Board, 1st b.	0	1	12	1	0
Higbee, 2-p.	0	0	0	3	0
Totals	7	14	27	16	3

Atkins.	R	H	O	A	E
Kenworthy, s. s.	1	1	2	1	1
R. Ludwig, c. f.	2	3	1	0	0
Schissel, 1st b.	1	3	8	0	1
Scanlon, 2d b.	1	1	6	5	0
Bryant, 3d b.	0	1	1	2	0
Dowling, r. f.	0	0	0	0	0
Kiley, l. f.	1	1	0	0	0
Dilinger, c.	0	0	7	1	0
Fender, p.	0	0	2	1	0
Milan, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Ludwig, p.	0	0	0	0	0
Totals	6	10	26	10	2

A. B. C.'s..0 1 0 3 0 0 0 2 1—7
Atkins ...0 0 0 0 1 3 0 0 2—6

Innings pitched—Davis, 8; Higbee, 1; Fender, 3; Milan, 5; Ludwig, 1. Base hits—Off Davis, 9; off Higbee, 1; off Fender, 7; off Milan, 5; off Ludwig, 2. Struck out—By Davis, 2; by Milan, 2; by Fender, 2. Two base hits—Ludwig, Schissel, Scanlon, Bryant, Reeves, Merida, Allen, Gatewood 2, Board, Schissel, 2. Home runs—Merida, Stolen bases—Gatewood, Higbee, Kiley, R. Ludwig.

WHEN KELLY HELPED JENNINGS.

Catchers have it within their power to help the batting average of a player if they happen to like him. In a game in which the score is lopsided and a base hit or two can not affect the result, a catcher frequently tips off the batter as to what the pitcher is going to deliver, fast or curved ball.

Hughey Jennings probably owes his reputation to a kind turn the famous Mike Kelly gave him. Jennings was with the Louisville team in 1891 in the old American Association. He was a weak hitter, and he was about to be left out when, in a game at Cincinnati, where Kelly was managing the team, he suddenly developed into a good hitter, getting three or four hits in a game.

Kelly was catching that day, and when Hughey came up Kel said: "Well, young fellow, you're not ttihing, so I guess I'll help you out," and then Kelly tipped Jennings off on what was coming, and they were all fast ones, with the result that he got several two-baggers and singles.

Jennings got confidence in himself after that, and two years later was one of the stars of the Baltimore team. Jennings has never forgotten Kelly's kindness, and he likes nothing better than to tell the story of how Kelly helped him to remain in fast company.

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New York, May.—Whether or not this is to be the last season of horse-racing around New York is a question on which well-informed men appear to differ greatly. But to a man from the outside it looks as if the sport steadily was losing ground.

Governor Hughes's campaign against the tracks is scarcely so effective in its political as in its moral effects.

The wealthy friends of racing cared little for public crusade against the sport so long as the active atigators were largely made up of those popularly regarded as "chronic reformers" in alliance with a few disgruntled poolroom men who had been put out of business by the tracks. But Governor Hughes's persistent and reletnless characterization of the sport as gambling, echoed and reechoed by the press of almost the entire State, has begun to make these men wince. The effect it is believed must surely be to diminish the interest in racing among the wealthier classes, even if the sport is not stopped, and racing is dependent upon these wealthier clases for suport under its present conditions of $3 admission fee and a $5 limit for wagers.

FANS SHOULD STUDY.

Fine Points of Game Apparently Are Lost on Unthinking Spectators.

"Play ball! Play ball!"

How often have you heard unthinking and impatient fans utter this cry?

When a player is spiked or has the wind knocked out of him the crowd yells for the game to go on.

"Come, come, play ball, play ball," is the verbal command.

Especially when a pitcher throws the ball to first-base in an attempt to worry the base runner, do the rooters grow impatient.

Spectators who are not posted on the fine points of baseball fail to understand that the twirler is tossing the ball to the first baseman for the deliberate purpose to protect the catcher and prevent the runner from stealing.

For example, a base runner on first anxious to steal second, will take big lead. The pitcher must hold the man to give the catcher a fair chance. He will keep on throwing as long as the runner takes a lot of ground.

Fans forget that making a runner constantly dive back for the base slows him. Worrying him in this manner slackens his speed just enough so he can be caught at second.

After the pitcher gets the runner winded it's easy to nab the tired thief at second.

If fans studied the fine points of baseball they would refrain from yelling "Play ball, play ball" every time a pitcher tries to tire out a base runner.

YOUNGSTERS CAN'T STAND GAFF.

The evolution of baseball, from the days of carefully planned and brutally carried out attacks with fists and knees and spikes upon opposing players, to these days of clean, sportsmanlike playing, is marked by no more remarkable feature than the amazing frailty of the modern player in comparison with the sturdy hardihood of the old times.

The hospital wards of every major league team in the country are crowded with cripples today, while twenty years ago a man rarely quite the game with any less injury than a broken bone.

Those ball players who sneer at college sports would do well to cultivate a little of the spirit and heorism with which college players bear their injuries; bear and endure them and make no sign.

Hotel Notes.

By W. FORREST COZART.

Below we give a newspaper account of a gorgeous banquet served at the Bellevue-Stratford, at Philadelphia, recently. All white help is employed at the Stratford.

The Waldorf-Astoria sent over its gold plate for this dinner, and it was used with that of the Bellevue-Stratford.

Upon enterting the famous Clover Room where the dinner was served the New Yorkers found themselves in the midst of a scene of loveliness. On the four walls were immense canvas paintings, representing Manhattan scenes of today, and of the period when Peter Stuyvesant was lord of the island. At the front of the room, on canvas, stood Stuyvesant and Father Penn clasping hands across the narrow strip which separated their two provinces. Each was painted for the occasion.

TROUT SPORT IN BROOK.

The table was arranged in the form of a hollow square, in the center of which was a running brook containing dozens of live trout, which glimmered as they sported in the water under the myriads of tiny vari-colored electric lights. Around the brook were tiny falls, but having current enough to turn the wheels of a dozen miniature water mills, typical of the early Dutch and Quaker settlements.

Then from out of the meadow, which ran from the inner side of the board down to the flowing rivulet in the center, arose or grew a profusion of American Beauty roses, crimson ramblers, azaleas, carnations, all banked around luxuriant palms. On the table, gracefuly entwined around the canvas paintings and in the four corners of the room, were spring flowers and vines, which completed a veritable fairy land.

To complete the scheme of Dutch representation, the waiters wore the costume of colonial Dutch, including the powdered wig. And, as a final surprise, as the dinner was nearing completion, the canvas showing Manhattan in its early days was drawn aside and in its place was put a modern painting of the beautiful Occidental Hotel, Little Tim Sullivan's present home.

WHAT THEY ATE AND DRANK.

But it was not in decorations alone that the New Yorkers and Philadelphians reveled, for this is what was placed before them to satisfy their hunger and quench the thirst:

Cantaloupe a la Penn.
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Pirments Farcis.
Salade Suedaice. Batons de Fromage.
Peaches a la Bellevue-Stratford.
Croquants. Cafe Special.
Cocktails, Medeira, Chateau Yquem,
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The speech feast which followed was directed by Max D. Steiner, of New York, as toastmaster and participated in by Mayor Reyburn, Director Clay, Little Tim and Big Tim Sullivan, Clarence Wolf, E. A. Gimbel, William Ballen, of New York; Felix Isman, Samuel O. Lit and Israel W. Durham.

The tie that binds—good fellows—was the theme throughout of all the speakers.

Professor Thomas' Orchestra furnished the music.

J. J. Miles, formerly head waiter at the Leland Hotel, Springfield, Ills., is now head waiter at the National Hotel, Peoria, Ills.

Mrs. Warren R. Brooks, president of the Y. M. C. A. at Atlantic City, N. J., is an ex-head waiter. Mrs. Brooks is now in the U. S. mail service.

Mrs. W. Kinney, the affable head waiter at the Piedmont, Atlanta, Ga., has won many friends since his sojourn in the South. Mr. Kinney was formerly at the Bellevue and other Boston hotels.

Board of Directors—J. M. Butler, chairman; William Cornish, secretary; Geo. W. Newton, Harvey C. Green, R. N. Matthews, Thos. J. Fields, Jr., Geo. H. Emory, Jas. H. Tucker, C. S. Smith, T. J. Simons, A. J. Woodlyn.

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Local No. 1 of the Head and Side Waiters' National Association of Atlantic City, N. J., gave a brilliant reception in honor of the members of the National Association, in Fitzgerald's Auditorium, at Atlantic City, during the national convention in that city last week. The officers of the local are:

The Chicago Beach Literary Association, which is composed of the intelligent and progressive waiters of the Chicago Beach Hotel, is holding a twenty-nights' fair at St. Paul Baptist Church. The effort is to raise a fund to purchase a home for disabled waiters.

Officers 1907-08.—William J. Nichols, president; D. Samuel Jones, second vice-president; C. S. Livingston, secretary; Benjamin F. Parker, treasurer; Raymond Trusty, first vice-president; G. D. Bryant, third vice-president, John A. Stewart, assistant secretary, Frank Guy, chaplain; Joseph E. Thorne, sergeant at arms.

"Mike" Carter, for several years head waiter at the American Garden and formerly at the Uierpont Hotel, Atlantic City, and who died in Washington a few months ago, will be greatly missed by the boys with whom he was very popular. During the winter Mr. Carter acted as head waiter at the Shoreham, Washington, D. C.

Among the many popular waiters of Colorado Springs, Colo., may be mentioned Mr. R. Whitaker. Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker entertains elaborately at their beautiful residence at 510 Huerfano avenue. Madam Whitaker is one of Colorado's leading hairdressers, also president of Tanner Lyceum at Manatou.

In a letter to Mr. Warren R. Brooks, president of the Y. M. C. A. of Atlantic City, N. J., the Misses Marget J. and Mary E. Peebles (white), of Portsmouth, Ohio, writes: Enclosed you will find check for $5.00 each, and with it goes the wishes that the cause may prosper and that many young men may be brought to Christ through its work. eW are now helping a young colored man through Havard and know that color does not keep one from being good, educated or useful.

Beauregar D. F. Moseley, lawyer, orator and secretary-treasurer of the Leland Grants Baseball and Amusement Association, is a candidate for judge of the municipal court at Chicago.

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CITY AND SOCIETY.

Mrs. R. E. Morris has returned from New York.

Mrs. Harry Fiddler has returned from Cleveland.

Mrs. Ella Todd returned from New York last Monday.

David Thomas, of Detroit, Mich., is in the city on business.

Eugene J. Western, of St. Louis, Mo. was in the city last week.

Ellistt B. Henderson, the poet gave a recital Thursday night at Simpson Chapel.

Mrs. Stewart of North Senate avenue left Thursday for a few days' visit at Peoria, Ill.

Dr. J. W. Norrell was called to Frankfort, Ky., Tuesday, on account of the death of his uncle.

The Young Men's Blaine Club will give a ball at Odd Fellows' Hall, June 15. Admission 25 cents.

The Woman's Club will give a Musical Delsarte and Fan-Fan Party at True Reformer's Hall June 18.

Mrs. Elihu Robinson and grand-son, Charles Glenn Stewart are visiting friends and relatives in Connersville.

Misses Lillian Maxey, Beatrice and Herbert Webber will give a private picnic at Garfield Park this afternoon.

Samuel Slabside will be a member of the Frog Hollow Lyceum to be given at Allen Chapel, Friday evening, June, 5, 1908.

A June Festival will be held at the Metropolitan Baptist Church, June 15, 16, 17. Dinner served each day from 11:30 to 3.

A reception will be given for the benefit of Metropolitan Baptist Church at Mrs. Beck's, June 5, from 4 to 9. Admission 5 cents.

Shelby Farror, of Madison, Ind., who has been attending the Winona Institute will leave tomorrow to spend some time at home with his parents.

Dr. W. E. Brown has met with unusual success, having cured a patient in two days, who had been under the care of fifteen other physicians for five years.

Betsey Scruggins, the fly-town poetess, and Felix Riddle will also appear at the Frog Hollow Lyceum to be given at Allen Chapel, Friday evening, June 5, 1908.

The Parker House closes its doors. Sunday, the 31st inst., will be the last day of this famous hotel. Everything to be sold at auction Tuesday, June 2d, at 9 o'clock.

William Roberts, owner of the I. B. C. Ball Team accompanied them to West Baden, Ind., and Louisville last week. He returned Saturday, while the team went to Nashville, Tenn.

Revs. L. M. Hagood, Simmons, Hickman, Ziegler and Robinson of the Lexington M. E. Conference were among the visitors at the General M. E. Conference at Baltimore.

Presiding Elder D. E. Skelton lectured at John Wesley M. E. church, at Baltimore last Monday night and preached last Sunday at Trinity A. M. E. church, in the same city. Rev. Skelton will spend tomorrow at Philadelphia.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing club year by the Woman's Club; Mrs. Minnie Scott, president; Mrs. Elizabeth Dixon, vice-president; Mrs. Blanche Cook, recording secretary; Mrs. Ada Goens, financial secretary; Mrs. Susie Miller, treasurer; Mrs. Lois Long, representative to the Charity Organization; Mrs. Naomi Cook, statistician. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Maria Spears Monday afternoon.

Rev. J. H. Wilson, of Riverside, Cal., occupied the pulpit at Simpson Chapel last Sunday, subject, "The Dual Nature of Christ." Rev. Wilson is an orator of high class and his sermon was interesting and instructive. He left Thursday for Kansas City to attend the Presiding Elder's Council, June 2., en route home.

The Interdenominational Meeting of Colored Ministers will meet in its regular monthly session Tuesday morning, June 2, at 10 o'clock, at the Colored Y. M. C. A., corner North and California streets. Discussion, subject, "What shall be done with the Skelton resolutions?" Rev. J. S. Bailey will open the discussion with a ten minute speech, to be followed by other ministers in fine minute speeches. Officers are to be elected at this session. The Colored Y. M. C. A. has invited the ministers and visitors to be its guests at luncheon at the close of the session.

The Sumner League Election.

The Sumner League held their annual election of officers Wednesday from 4 to 9 p. m. There were two tickets in the field, the regular and the independent, all good men but the independent ticket proved to have the big majority of the best men. Friends of both sides were busy gathering in the vote "by foot" and in automobiles and real excitement ran high. The weather was of the good election kind, with a fine breeze now and then to fan the fevered brow of the warriors, while they proclaimed the good qualities of their favorites. After the battle there was a calm and the organization had elected the following officers:

Charles Humble, president; George P. Stewart, first vice-president; G. Mammon Reece, second vice-president; Gabriel Jones, financial secretary; William E. Holt, recording secretary; Joseph H. Morton, treasurer. Board of Directors: William B. Frazier, E. S. Stone, Frank Price, LaFayette M. Jefferson, Philip Lytle, Samuel Welch, John House William Merriweather, sergeant-at-arms.

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NORTH SIDE PITTSBURG, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The class exercises of Avery College and Manual Training School, of North Side, Pittsburg, were held Thursday, May 21, anad they were enlivened by many touches of wit and humor at the expense of the faculty and pupils. The class colors, blue and white, were much in evidence. The exercises consisted of the opening hymn by the class; invocation by Dr. T. G. Tenfly, president of the faculty; class song; address, Miss Mabel Webster; essay, Sadie Tucker; recitation, Clara Beale; solo, Mrs. Minnie Bird; class historian, Rosa Glenn; "Tokens of Fitness," Geneva Taylor; criticism on the faculty, Rosa Glenn; farewell song; benediction by Rev. M. B. Fanier. After the exercises light refreshments were served to about one hundred of the friends of the students in the dining rooms. Prof. Roscoe Conkling Bruce, assistant superintendent of colored schools, Washington, D. C., delivered an address to the students, on the 26th, at Carnegie Hall.

BASEBALL AT OARAOPOLIS, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Ohio State Colored League opened up here last Thursday, May 14, with Columbus vs. Dayton, for three games. Twelve hundred loyal, true and enthusiastic race men and women turned out and enjoyed the game. Despite the large score the game was interesting, made so by the brilliant playing of S. S. Lindsay, second baseman, Selden, and the enthusiastic and witty rooting of the Rooters' Association. Three hundred fans saw Friday's game and 350 more saw Saturday's contest, which was the best game of the three. Probably more fans would have seen the last two games if the first game had been closer. The Giants had a slight attack of stage fright. Over fifteen hundred fans turned out to see Sunday's game with Springfield. The game was a good one. Three thousand three hundred and sixty-two fans, at 25 cents a head, for the first four games of the Ohio Colored League is not bad.

CAMERON, TEX.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The colored people in our little burg are quiet and progressive. Many own homes, and our slogan is "Look Up and Lift Up." Four denominations have established places of worship and their progress bids fair for a "Greater Cameron" and a great religious harvest. Revs. H. K. McCoy, W. J. Mitchell, L. J. Johnson and W. M. Lowry are pastors worthy of their calling....Dr. L. A. Nixon, a promising young physician and graduate of Maharry Medical Institute, has located in our midst and his knowledge of medicine puts him to the front as "the coming man."

PHOENIX, ARIZ.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Edward Collum, barber, formerly of Pueblo, Colo., has accepted a position with Lewis & Noble.....The Misses Mabel Bobbie and Claudie Stevens, Messrs. Joseph Reddy and Forrest Varnie made a trip to their father's ranch Sunday....Messrs Earl Delrach and Edward Bruce came in from Stevens Ranch looking well and hearty....Miss Abbie Johnson attended commencement at the Indian school the 19th....Fred Gardner, our colored politician, is having many trials and tribulations....Master Eddie Noble is fast recovering after a serious spell of sickness.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Our city merchants' business is undergoing a boycot by the Farmers' Tobacco Association, and it is being felt in every way by our citizens. We trust that the city officials and the association will come to some satisfactory agreement soon....The mass meeting that was to have been held at St. Johns Church on the 24th for the benefit of the Mt. Olivet Cemetery was postponed for a more convenient day....Rev. Ben Garrette, of Hopkinsville, Ky., preached three stirring sermons for the Second Baptist Church of Providence Sunday to a very large congregation. A great many went over from the city to hear him. He is one of Clarksville's favorite evangelists....James and Louis Hutchinson, of St. Louis, after having paid the last due respect to their sister's remains, returned to St. Louis on the 19th....W. T. McRay, of Nashville, was in the city this week....The K. of P.s are getting ready for their grad session. All arrangements are meeting with success....The M. W. grand session of Masons will be held at Nashville instead of Weaverly, Tenn....If you want to know about your people and hear from your friends read The Freeman. Always boost for those that boost for you! ....Jas. Harris left for Paducah, Ky., on the 18th....The Freeman can be found every Saturday at 107 S. First street.

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Special to THE FREEMAN.

The Missionary Baptist Churches have had very successful meetings....Prof. P. B. Langford is preparing to organize a juvenile band of boys and girls....Henry Holladay hopes to soon be an accomplished cornetist under the instruction of Prof. Blue, of St. Louis....The A. M. E. Church will give their first barbecue Saturday, May 23, on the church lawn. You are cordially invited to be present and enjoy the delicacies of the season....The superintendent of Antioch Baptist Sunday school, Mrs. Clemens, is awakening an unusual interest in Sunday school work. ....Mrs. Robt. Baker very ably conducted a gentleman's foot sale last Thursday, at Antioch, at which entertainment the net proceeds were $9.75....Mrs. Sanford, of Fifth street, is convalescing, and will be out soon. Her friends are delighted, as she is one of Corinthian's earnest workers....Mrs. Effie Reid is still holding the converts' prayer meetings. Encourage her by attending them occasionally....We wish the citizens to patronize our new dentist, Dr. Bundy....A. B. S. S. will give a leap year party and hand sale Wednesday, May 29, at the church. You are expected....Mr. Parish is exerting every means to make the baseball season a success here....Antioch will send five delegates to the Wood River convention, May 30, and furnish a musical program.

CORAOPOLIS, PA.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

Miss Cornella Edna Boyd and Mrs. Marie Mason, of Coraopolis, were graduates in the millinery and dressmaking department at Avery Trade School, North Side, Pittsburg, Pa., Thursday, May 26....Mrs. Susie B. Jackson, of Hogue street, Youngstown, O., is visiting her mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Boyd, of Vine street..Mrs. Jas. Jones, of 1223 Second avenue, who has been quite sick, is convalescent....Alfred Moore, of Vance avenue, is visiting relatives in Atlantic City, N. J....Miss Tena Lynch, of Pittsburg, Pa., was the guest of Miss Georgia Lee Winston during the past week....Miss Myrtle Smith, of Youngstown, O., Miss Grace Smith, Miss Rozier and Miss Hankley, of North Side, Pittsburg, Pa., were the guests of Miss Belle Bowman during the past week.... Coraopolis High School held the closing exercises on Friday, May 22, at the Bank Hall, on Fifth avenue and Mill street. There were two colored graduates in the class of nineteen, the first time in the history of the school, namely, Miss Georgia Lee Winston and Miss Fanna Belle Bowman. They both delivered splendid addresses....Mrs. Thomas Parks, Mr. S. Rominger and Mr. John Flood entertained the Ladies' Aid Society on Thursday, May 21, at the residence of Mrs. T. Parks.... Mrs. Frank Kay, of Webster avenue, Pittsburg, was visiting friends and relatives in town during the week....The May Fair held at the Mount Olivet Baptist Church during the past week was a success....The New Hope Baptist Church will hold a grand rally on Sunday, May 31. Rev. Dr. Frazier will preach at 11 a. m., Rev. Dr. Payne at 3 p. m. and Rev. J. T. Saunders, pastor, will preach at 7:30....Rev. J. T. Saunder preached Sunday to a large congregation at 7:30. Subject, "The Dead Man and the Live Man."

KANSAS CITY, MO.

Special to THE FREEMAN.

The colored people opened a new park last Friday, known as the Union Park.... Walter Ficher, of the well-known Waiters' Club, on West Ninth street, has moved to commodious quarters at 1022 Wyandotte street, where Mr. Ficher and his partner, Al Rogers, will be glad to entertain their old friends better than ever, as they have five or six rooms up and downstairs, where you may be entertained to your heart's content....Some waiters have left for Joplin, Mo., to work at the Conner....The grille room at the Midland Hotel closed last Saturday after dinner. The cafe is to close between the 20th and the 1st of June. Messrs. Anderson and Fred Brown quit the above hotel last Friday. The former went South and Brown went to his old home, St. Joe, Mo. Mr. W. Gill also quit and has taken rooms at Mr. E. Whitmore's....The city is in an uproar about Mr. F. Neal, of the Midland dining room, who has served the same for such a number of years, as to what he intends doing after June 1, or the closing of the above hostelry, but as far as we know now he will be well provided for in the near future....Gus Mosely has quit the Midland and a good many of the boys are going West this summer....Edward Wilson, one of the old Midland boys, who quit to be a railroad man between here and St. Louis, is now at the Kupper. ....William Gill is at the Baltimore.... Fred Brown is in St. Joe, Mo....J. D. Brown will be at the Midland Thursday morning....The Lotus Club, at St. Joe, opened last Saturday with a crew of eight or ten men....Gus Mosely is thinking of going West soon....Thomas White has been suffering of late with his throat.... The Presbyterian convention began here last Wednesday, and the meetings are being held in Convention Hall. There are several ministers of our race in attendance from all parts of the land. Last Friday evening the Board of Publication and Sabbath school workers were in session and an address was made by the Rev. A. B. McCoy, Sabbath school missionary in the Presbytery of Knox, Ga. He is a graduate of a college at Knox. Last Sunday all the colored and white churches were supplied with some of the delegates, both white and colored. The convention will close during the next week. Our city has been crowded all week, as there were four conventions meeting here this week. Every hotel had out the "no room" sign all the week. The old Midland Hotel closed Tuesday night, May 26....The Topeka, Kans., and the Kansas City Monarchs played ball Sunday afternoon at the City Park. The score was 6 to 6 (tie). The game was called after twelve innings on account of rain. A large crowd was out....The marriage of Miss Lula May Johnson and Mr. William Bates took place May 27.

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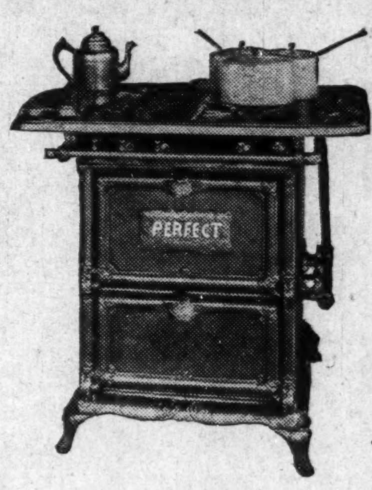

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